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SITUATION IN INDO-CHINA TENSE: JAPANESE FORCES PREPARE FOR MOVE TO SOUTH

BRITISH FORCE NOW IN S'HAU TO BE WITHDRAWN FOR SERVICE ELSEWHERE

TIME LIMIT ON CLOSURE OF ROUTE

TOKYO, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Traffic in war materials, in assisting the Chungking regime by way of Burma has been suspended for three months in accordance with the Anglo-Japanese agreement, but there was time limit on the closure of the Indo-China route, a Foreign Office spokesman stated.

Therefore the stoppage of traffic in goods adding the Chungking Government by way of Indo-China could go on as before for the time being, he added.

The spokesman said that if any negotiations were started between Japan and France regarding Indo-China they will be conducted between the two Governments, as well as between the French and Japanese authorities on the spot.

He recalled that the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, replying to an inquiry by the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Grew, on Wednesday, said foreign Press reports on the Franco-Japanese negotiations regarding Indo-China were "inaccurate."

SHANGHAI, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—British troops stationed in Shanghai and North China are being withdrawn for service elsewhere, it was officially announced tonight.

British authorities refuse to divulge further information.

Such action has not come as a surprise and was generally anticipated by the British community, who fully appreciate the circumstances of the withdrawal.

STRATEGIC MOTIVES

British Wireless states the decision to withdraw from Shanghai of the British force is dictated solely by strategic motives.

The original purpose of the force, as of forces of other nations, Italians, Americans and French stationed in Shanghai, was to secure the lives and property of their nationals in the International Settlement against mob violence.

With the development of the Japan-China conflict this function lost much of its practical significance and the retention of so useful a force of the regular British Army had to be considered.

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Reported Big Naval Concentrations At Formosa And Hainan

THE SITUATION IN INDO-CHINA IS HOURLY BECOMING MORE TENSE.

Increased activity by Japanese naval units and troopships in South China waters gives rise to the belief that the Japanese forces are geared ready for a possible move southwards, says a Reuter message from Shanghai.

IT IS KNOWN IN SHANGHAI THAT DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS MOVEMENTS OF JAPANESE VESSELS BETWEEN FORMOSA AND HAINAN HAVE BEEN INTENSIFIED. Travellers report unusually large naval concentrations at both places, particularly at Hainan.

THESE CONCENTRATIONS ARE SAID TO COMPRISE SEVERAL CRUISERS, AIRCRAFT CARRIERS AND A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF DESTROYERS AND TRANSPORTS.

It is believed that many Japanese troops have been transferred from South China to Hainan.

Reports from Chungking today state that information has been received that the authorities in French Indo-China are rushing defence preparations and big movements of Annamite and Tongking troops are taking place.

Meanwhile, the French reply to the "suggestions" reported to have been sent to the Governor-General by the Japanese "Inspector-General" in Indo-China, is awaited.

NAVAL BASES

It is widely believed that the Japanese are pressing for the establishment of military, naval and air bases in Indo-China and also for the passage of troops in order to attack China from that quarter with Kunming as the objective.

The Chinese Press today publishes alarming reports of the situation, stating that 20 Japanese warships are concentrated in the Gulf of Tongking and a big naval force is steaming from Formosa towards Indo-China, but these

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DEATH OF OLD CHINA HAND

SHANGHAI, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Lennox Simpson, an old China resident and a well-known writer, has died at Dairen.

Shortly before his death Mr. Simpson was under the detention by the Japanese, but it is stated that there is no cause to believe that his death was the result of his detention.

Important Step Towards Dominion Status For India: New Proposals Show Substantial Advance On The Policy Of Previous Government

HARVEST OF HATE

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The Gothenburg Gothandel writes that as a result of the Third Reich's war machine every single country now in German occupation is threatened with want where before existed many cases of surplus of its own needs. This first acquaintance of the new Europe makes propaganda of its delights rather meaningless.

Hungry men do desperate deeds. It is technically easy now to mow down men with machine-guns, but a blood-soaked ground will produce a terrible harvest of hate.

The Germans must in their own country begin to see the workings of war and what happens to England's enemies.

PRESSING CAUSE

The planning of the evacuation of West Germany was not done without pressing cause. When one reads of what air raid damage was shown to foreign journalists one begins to wonder what is not shown looks like.

The impression gained in listening to the German radio, that all bombs fall in potato fields cannot be quite correct.

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS DOMINION STATUS FOR INDIA is how the Press generally regards the proposals put forward yesterday in both Houses of Commons and Lords and by the Viceroy of India.

The POONA TIMES says the Viceroy's pronouncements shows substantial advance on the policy of the previous Government, both in recognition of the Indian claim to self-determination and in practical provision for extension of Indian self-government in the interval before the future Constitution can be finally settled.

All India see Hitlerism clearly as an enemy of Indian civilisation.

The Viceroy's invitation to join the Executive Council offer opportunity to all Parties to co-operate upon a ground common to them all. The more Indians can collaborate towards the external purpose of victory the more they are likely to develop a common language in which they can discuss internal problems.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH writes that the opportunity is of immense significance; the success depends solely upon the capacity of the Indians to find their own way out of the complexity of disagreements in which they have struggled hitherto. The proposal goes the utmost length and is consistent with reason and prudence.

The MANCHESTER GUARDIAN writes that the terms of the White Paper are vague but, in regard to framing the new Constitution, they appear to meet the principal de-

mands the friends of India in this country had long made.

AN OPPORTUNITY

This, in fact, was an opportunity, for who cannot believe that if preliminary work resulted in unexpectedly rapid agreement the British Government could hesitate to accept the results and put them into force without delay?

The DAILY HERALD, after expressing doubt whether the proposals will have more success than previous ones, for self-government says that this is no time for hedging and haggling but for bold statesmanship, and for swift and generous, not tardy grudging, fulfilment of promises.

AIR OF RESERVE

BOMBAY, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Press reception of the Viceroy of India's statement follows the usual lines and there is evidence that the leaders are carefully studying it. There is a significant air of reserve among Congress leaders.

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MAGNIFICENT RESPONSE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—It was officially announced here that owing to the magnificent response to the call for recruits from Palestine and Trans-Jordan, the Royal Air Force is suspending local enlistments.

Recruiting for the Army service units continues.

MR. J. FARLEY RESIGNS

HYDE PARK, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt announced from his Hyde Park (N.Y.) home yesterday his acceptance of the resignation of Mr. James Farley from the office of Postmaster-General.

ANGLO-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS

ATMOSPHERE NOT CHANGED

TOKYO, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Japanese arrests of British espionage suspects and the British arrests of Japanese nationals represented the internal measures of the respective Governments, a Foreign Office spokesman observed.

On the basis of newspaper reports, he added the Press atmosphere in London apparently showed a marked improvement lately.

Asked whether there was any new development in the Anglo-Japanese negotiations, the spokesman stated that there had been nothing new since the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, four days ago.

The atmosphere had not changed, he added.

After the meeting of Sir Robert and Mr. Matsuoka, it was announced that they conferred in a "calm and friendly atmosphere."

RIGHTIST PETITION

A delegation of the East Asia Association, which represents a small ultra-Rightist group, visited Government officials this morning and handed them copies of a petition urging the Government to declare war on Britain and to seek a "fundamental settlement of the British 'retaliatory' arrests of Japanese nationals in London and other parts of the British Empire.

The delegation called on the Premier, the Foreign Minister, the War Minister, and the Navy Minister.

Nazis Bomb Residential Quarters

HOUSE DEMOLISHED IN MIDLANDS

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry and Ministry for Home Security communiqué last night states that enemy aircraft dropped some isolated bombs near the Straits of Dover, Bristol, the Channel and North-Western England, where several houses were damaged.

Five bombs are reported to have fallen in the residential quarters in a midland town where one house was completely demolished and others severely damaged.

Reports from all these areas indicate the number of casualties were few but include several serious, some of which were fatal.

Mechanised Militarism Cannot End Human Rights And Civilisation—Steed

"We do not believe that mechanised militarism and brute force can end human rights and civilisation. We have in this country a strong enough force to oppose anything that Herr Hitler may bring against us. We feel sure that we shall give Herr Hitler better than anything he sends us, as we did on Thursday," said Mr. Wickham Steed, commentator on "World Affairs," in the course of his weekly broadcast talk from Daventry last night.

"THE OTHER DAY," continued Mr. Steed, "I heard a man holding a responsible position discussing the idea that an international air force will be necessary to police Europe after the war is over."

INTERNATIONAL AIR FORCE
"In the course of the discussion, another man said: 'Has it not struck you that this international air force is already in existence in Great Britain?'"

"He was referring, of course, to the fact that today we have French, Polish, Czechoslovakian, American and other airmen fighting with our own pilots."

"Then," went on Mr. Steed, "there is the spirit of our pilots which Herr Hitler will never be able to match. I agree with Mr. J. B. Priestley that our splendid young airmen, who are willing to give their lives for each other, will not be prepared to accept any cut-throat rule or tyranny."

Biggest Air Battle Over Libya

CAIRO, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The biggest air battle over Libya, in which 15 Italian fighters were destroyed, took place today.

Although British fighters were outnumbered two to one the R.A.F. pilots pressed home the attack. Two British aircraft failed to return.

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PREMIER SATISFIED

Mr. Steed's opening remarks dealt with a visit made by the Prime Minister to the North East Coast where he had inspected the defences.

"Mr. Churchill was very satisfied with what he saw," said Mr.

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TODAY'S PENNANT DECIDER: BOTH TEAMS ABOUT EQUAL CHARITY TILT SUNDAY: INDIA OUT OF INTL SERIES

BY R.O.Y.

WITH THE HONGKONG BREWERS and the Mindanao scheduled to battle it out for this year's championship, an over-flow crowd is expected to turn out at the Caroline Hill ball-park, this afternoon, in good time for the start at 2.30 p.m. Another excellent match should be the meeting of the U.S. Navy and the League All-stars, at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow, in the first of the five-game Charity Cup Series to be played in aid of the War Fund.

Today's needle match will be handled by "Doc" Mithen, "Grapp" Leung and Charlie Fiquerido who have been selected as being most capable of policing this battle-royal.

Manager "Poochie" Chase will probably start "Ski" Powlawski on the mound with Tony Mascavage as his battery mate. Cecil Douglas at the initial sack, Chase at the Keystone, Todd at third and "Bubbles" Badrick at short will form a sound infield which should receive every support from the outfield of "Highjumper" Wilson, "Croner" Ruel and "Fig" Padgett or Cook.

BREWERS LINE-UP

The Brewers will line-up the same squad that beat the Mindanao so convincingly two weeks ago. Arculli tows the mound with Hal Wing Lee behind the plate. Stan Leonard at first, O. Arculli at the middle cushion, Dave Leonard at the Hot Corner and George "Strawberry" Souza at the Windy Alley will be seen in the infield while the picket-men will be Henry Ali, Zinho Gosano and Lefty Joe Bowen.

Despite the Brewers handsome victory in the last clash, these contenders are as closely matched as could be desired, and whatever the final result may be, it is certain that fans will witness a real delight, with the honours going to the squad that gets the breaks.

TOMORROW'S GAME

Owing to the withdrawal of India from the International Series, the only fixture tomorrow will be the Charity Cup match which will feature the local lads against the U.S. Navy which will be represented by a Tulsa-Mindanao combination that will include "Ski" Powlawski, Lefty Stockton and Hank Ruel as hurlers, backed by the catching staff of Tony Mascavage or McClanahan.

"Horseface" Douglas or Pete Peterson will guard the initial sack, "Poochie" Chase or Hoffman the Keystone, Terry or Rabbachi the windy alley with Maxwell at third completing the infield. Willie Wilson, Bud Guinn, Cartwright and Shanty Moore will be the gardeners.

TOUGH PROPOSITION

With this wealth of talent at their disposal, Chase and Norton will have a hard time deciding on which players to start and which to warm the bench but whatever the line-up, I am afraid that, the Navy will prove a little too strong for the locals, whose pitching staff will be greatly weakened by the inability of "Jesse" Arculli to take on the hurling assignments of two games, on successive days.

Mentor Abe Liu will have to rely on "Spotty" Pereira or Bill Chang to take over mound duty, while catchers will be Hal Wing Lee or Nip Lum. "Grapp" Leung or Stan Leonard will be stationed at first base but the other infield positions have yet to be decided, the selectors having called on George Souza, Wally Ching, O. Arculli, Hans Waggoner, Dave Leonard and Tony Alves. Hank Ali, Richard Chung, Tuffy Chinn, Joe Bowen and Coco Marques will be the gardening staff, which can be expected to have a very busy day.

LOCALS' VIRTUE

The locals, by virtue of their defensive strength, should give the sailor boys a good run for their money but the latter's better pitching staff should give the U.S. Navy the first leg of the series.

Leaving these shores by the U.S.S. Chaumont on Sunday will be Red Todd and Bubbles Badrick who have been mainstays of the Mindanao aggregation for several years past; fans will join me in wishing these fine sportsmen all the best wherever they may be assigned for duty.

Big Aquatic Attraction Tonight

V.R.C. MEETING LAI TSUN

Swimming enthusiasts who were disappointed last week-end will tonight witness the long awaited gala between the Victoria Recreation Club and the Lai Tsun in the former's pool at 9.30.

Both the V.R.C. and Lai Tsun are fielding their best team available and as some of the finest swimmers in the Colony are from these two clubs, a splendid night's sport is promised.

Following is the programme and teams:

50 yards free-style.—D. H. Taylor and D. Hutchinson (V.R.C.) v. Fong Wah and Tsang Cheung-ming (Lai Tsun).

200 yards free-style.—W. Lawrence and Charles Huang (V.R.C.) v. Chan Chun-nam and Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun).

100 yards back-stroke.—W. Lawrence and A. K. Rumjahn (V.R.C.) v. Lau Yiu-ting and Poon Wing-kai (Lai Tsun).

150 yards medley relay (back, breast and free-style).—A. K. Rumjahn, D. Hutchinson and D. H. Taylor (V.R.C.) v. Lau Yiu-ting, Fong Wah and Tsang Cheung-ming (Lai Tsun).

100 yards breast-stroke.—Luiz M. Remedios and E. M. Marques (V.R.C.) v. Fong Chong-yue and Ng Kam-yung (Lai Tsun).

200 yards free-style relay (50 yards each).—W. Lawrence, D. Hutchinson, C. Huang and D. H. Taylor (V.R.C.) v. Fong Wah, Poon Wing-kai, Lau Tai-ping, Tsang Cheung-ming, Chan Chun-nam and Poon Wing-kai (Lai Tsun) to choose four of these six probably the first four names).

Women's 50 yards free-style.—Miss V. Churn and Miss I. Lopes (V.R.C.) v. Miss Tsang Fung-kwan and Miss Ko Mul-lin (Lai Tsun).

Women's 200 yards free-style relay.—Miss E. Grant, Miss I. Lopes, Miss D. Miss Ruby Choy, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Cheng On-nin and Miss Ko Mul-lin (Lai Tsun).

Dividing exhibition.—Ed da Rosa and L. Rosa Pereira.

Women's 150 yards medley relay.—Miss E. Grant, Miss D. Weir and Miss V. Churn (V.R.C.) v. Combined Chinese.

Y.M.C.A. GALA

The following have been selected to represent the European Y.M.C.A. at the Triangular swimming gala tonight against Chung Shing Benevolent Society and Eastern Athletic Association in the "Y" pool at 7.30 p.m.

50 Yards free-style.—(to be selected from G. T. May, E. W. Railton and R. A. Dodd).

220 Yards free-style.—L. A. Benn, Reserve:—G. H. Fowler.

440 Yards free-style.—G. T. May, Reserve:—G. H. Fowler.

100 Yards back-stroke.—B. S. Wilson, Reserve:—F. Willis.

100 Yards breast-stroke.—R. A. Dodd, Reserve:—F. Willis.

200 Yards free-style Relay.—(Teams of four or eight to be selected from:—G. T. May, G. H. Fowler, E. W. Railton, L. A. Benn, P. Wilson, H. Hardley, G. Saunders, F. Willis, L. H. Chater and B. S. Wilson).

150 Yards Medley Relay.—back-stroke.—B. S. Wilson; breast-stroke.—R. A. Dodd or F. Willis; free-style.—G. T. May or E. Hardley. 25 Yards under water (Post Entries).

The programme will conclude with a water-polo game between "Y" and one of the other teams. "Y" will be represented by the following:—H. Eardley; E. W. Railton, L. A. Benn; G. T. May; R. Goldman, G. H. Fowler, L. H. Chater.

NO BIDS AT LAND SALE

There were no bids placed at the Crown Land Sale at the District Office, South, yesterday. Ten lots of ground consisting of 4 building sites and 6 agricultural areas were sold at up-set prices ranging from \$5 to \$50.

The lots are located in Mui Wo, Yau Kam Tau, Li Wai, and Ping Chau in the New Territories.

Omar v. A. K. Suffad, A. S. Suffad, A. K. Ismail and M. R. Abbas. (At Civil Service C.C.) 3.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS SWEEPSTAKE

RESULT OF DRAW

The draw for the Lawn Bowls Sweepstake on this week's matches was made yesterday and resulted as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION

Recrelo "A" (495) v. Police (785). Craigengower (900) v. K.B.G.C. (657). O.S.C.C. (379) v. K. Docks (876). K.C.C. (16) v. H.K.F.C. (563). Indian R.C. (496) v. Recrelo "B" (687).

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower (205) v. Recrelo (903). Taikoo (47) v. K. Tong (26). Hongkong C.C. (935) v. Police (641). K.B.G.C. (447) v. Kowloon C.C. (838). Kowloon F.C. (894) v. C.S.C.C. (419).

THIRD DIVISION

Electric (564) v. H.K.C.C. (103). Frison O.C. (52) v. H.K.F.C. (404). Kowloon F.C. (516) v. Indian R.C. (397).

Numbers 43 and 701 drew "non-starters" Craigengower and the Kowloon B.G.C. in the Third Division.

COLLECTIONS

From sports organisations in the Colony, excluding the collections from the Lawn Bowls Sweep, the sum of \$2,845 has been made up and this has been earmarked for the purchase of two ambulances. The difference is being solicited from the general fund of the B.W.O.F.—to be made up with the future

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The following are the results of matches played in yesterday's American Baseball Leagues:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	9	0
Cincinnati	3	8	1
Boston	6	0	2
(Miller homered)			
Philadelphia	2	7	1
Brooklyn	6	10	1
(Reese and Camilli homered)			
New York	3	12	2
(Witek homered. Twelve innings were played)			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	5	9	0
Boston	6	13	0
Philadelphia	6	8	1
(Chapman homered)			
Washington	4	10	2
(Ten innings were played)			
Cleveland	7	13	0
(Keltner homered)			
St. Louis	4	10	0
(Radcliffe homered)			
Cleveland	1	8	3
St. Louis	2	3	1

WATER-POLO

A mediocre water-polo match took place last night at the European "Y" pool between a naval team and the South China Athletic Association resulting in a draw of 1-1.

contributions from sportsmen. It is expected that the two ambulances will be named "Hongkong" and "Kowloon."

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COME WITH THE WIND

RECORD-BREAKING RUN IN SHAI

Come With The Wind, an M-G-M release, continues with undiminished success wherever it is shown, and the records which it is creating are nothing short of phenomenal.

It enjoyed unprecedented success in Shanghai at the Roxy Theatre, where it recently completed a phenomenal run of 43 days and piled up a prodigious gross of \$248,885.50.

This is an all-time record for the sustained duration of a run, as well as for box office receipts, and takes into consideration all pictures both foreign and Chinese.

The success of Come With The Wind is convincingly demonstrated when it is compared with the gross attained by Tarzan Finds A Son, also an M-G-M picture, which hitherto held the record in Shanghai with a gross of \$116,360. Come With The Wind will probably be released in Hongkong next month.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BOWLS.—First Division, Recrelo A. v. Police, Craigengower v. Kowloon B.G.C., Civil Service v. Kowloon Docks, Kowloon C.C. v. Hongkong F.C., Indian R.C. v. Recrelo B. Second Division, Craigengower v. Recrelo, Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon Tong, Hongkong C.C. v. Police R.C., Kowloon B.C.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Kowloon F.C. v. Civil Service. Third Division: Electric v. Hongkong C.C., Prison Officers v. Hongkong F.C., Kowloon F.C. v. Indian R.C.

SWIMMING.—European Y.M.C.A. Triangular Swimming Gala v. Chung Sing Benevolent Society and Eastern Athletic Association (Y.M.C.A. Pool) 7.30 p.m.; Victoria Recreation Club Gala

CHARITY SHOW

Well-Known Chinese Stars To Take Part

For the benefit of British and Chinese war refugees and wounded soldiers the Milton Institute, the well-known radio and automobile technical school in Hongkong, will offer a number of all-star-cast Chinese theatrical performances at the Po Hing Theatre, K. Wilson, on Aug. 10 and 11, in four shows.

A special programme is prepared for each show containing music, dances, plays, songs, comedies, etc., and promises to give the audience a brilliant entertainment.

Over 40 actors and actresses in the fields of opera and motion picture, including Messrs. Ma She Tsang, Wu Chor Fan, Sun Liang Chao, Yip Yun Po, Misses Tan Lan Hing, Lily Lee, etc. will take part. No show ever offered in Hongkong had such a big cast and long programme.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Eu Tong Sen, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-Fun and many others have made valuable contributions.

Dr. H. L. Mars, President of the Institute, is responsible for the function and Mr. Chao Tat Wah, director of the Shanyuet Motion Picture Co. is responsible for the programmes and production.

V. Lai Tsun Swimming Union (V. R. C. Pool) 9.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

BOWLS.—Colonial Open Rinks Championship, Quarter Finals: A. Morton, E. A. Atkins, H. E. Drew and W. Harrower v. E. F. Pope, A. Bower, J. E. Henson and G. H. Sherriff; R. Bass, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti v. G. Bunce, C. F. Needham, N. J. Bebbington and A. Brooksbank; W. Houston, E. Levett, A. Calman and R. Duncan v. W. McLeod, W. S. Dall, J. Owen and J. C. S. Pender; J. Housen, A. A. Razack, K. M. Omar and U. M.



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BITTER COMBATS RAGING: CHINESE OPPOSE NORTH DRIVE

MOUNTING ANTI-WAR FEELING AMONG JAPANESE TROOPS

CHUNGKING, Aug. 9 (Central)—While a lull prevails on the main front, desultory fighting has been going on at widely scattered areas from Shansi in the north to Kwangtung in the south, military despatches received here indicate.

In southeast Shansi, where there has been a lull for some time, fighting has again flared up as two Japanese columns with artillery units have launched simultaneous drives west of Kaoping, southwest of Changshih.

DRIVE AGAINST CORRUPTION

TWO INSPECTORS EXECUTED

LIHUANG, Aug. 9 (Central)—To discourage extravagance the Anhwei Provincial Government has imposed a heavy tax on feasts. A feast costing less than \$10 will be levied 10 per cent, over \$10, 100 per cent and over \$20 200 per cent.

Meanwhile, a campaign has been started to eliminate graft and corruption.

Two commodity inspectors Yang Yin and Yuchi Yun-shan, in the district of Wuwei, have been executed on a charge of corruption and an order for the arrest of Mao Chen-yung, director of the 4th Commodity Inspection Office of the same district, on a similar charge has been issued.

PROVISIONS CONTROL

LIHUANG, Aug. 9 (Central)—To regulate the distribution and supply of provisions the Anhwei Provincial Government has formed a Provisions Control Committee with Mr. Tsai Hao as Chairman and Messrs. Chu Yin-shih and Chang Heng-fang as Vice-Chairmen.

PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN

Shansi Waste Land Under Plough

HINGTSAI, Aug. 9 (Central)—The production campaign launched by General Yen Hsi-shan, Pacification Commissioner for Shansi, to strengthen China's power of resistance is now in full swing.

Following the lead in the campaign, General Yen is daily spending some time in farming in spite of pressure of his official duties. Plots of cabbage, tomatoes, and turnips around his residence bear witness to his industrious efforts.

In accordance with General Yen's instructions the different Hsien have organised the people in farming and reclamation. Tracts of waste land have been turned into fields of green crops.

Somaliland Operations

ENEMY ACTIVITY IN WESTERN DESERT

CAIRO, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—The communiqué issued yesterday states that the Italians have halted their drive across British Somaliland.

"As anticipated the enemy columns halted after capturing Hargeisa and Odweina and air reconnaissance reports little movement around these places.

FRONTIER QUIET
"In the Western Desert the frontier is all quiet but enemy movements, particularly of motorised transports, continue to be reported.

"Apart from an unsuccessful air raid on Athara all was quiet in Sudan. In the Burao area and to the east the situation is reported to be normal and in Kenya and Palestine there is nothing to report."

CHINESE ENTER CITY
Taking advantage of a torrential rain, Chinese units in north Hubei have attacked the Japanese at Suhsien in the past few days. They forced an entry into the city by the north gate and set a Japanese supply depot afire.

Chinese forces on the north bank of the Chientang River and in south Anhwei have staged repeated harassing raids on the Japanese during the past week with considerable gains. In a raid on a point between Wanchih and Wuhu in south Anhwei on August 8, they inflicted over 100 casualties on the enemy and set fire to the Japanese barracks.

A Japanese drive toward the Chinese positions near Sishan and Wanshoukung in north Kiangsi has been repulsed by the Chinese with heavy casualties.

JAP. UNIT REFUSED
In Kwangtung, a Japanese unit crossing a stream at Shenkong in an attempt to attack the Chinese at Saling has been thrown back.

In Kwangsi, a Japanese thrust from Mingkiang to Na-an a few days ago was repulsed. The Japanese were subjected to an enveloping attack, sustaining heavy losses. Japanese communications in south Kwangsi have been constantly disrupted as a result of Chinese sabotage work.

Anti-war feeling among the Japanese is steadily mounting, according to a Chinese military spokesman in a press conference here yesterday. This feeling is markedly evident in the diaries of Japanese soldiers who have been taken prisoner, he said.

The spokesman discredited rumours of a fresh Japanese drive arising from reports of Japanese troop movements in various areas. He said that in the recent Japanese drive toward Ichang their troops were brought in from Hunan, Kiangsi and other fronts. They are being sent back to their original positions; hence the reported troop movements.

IMPERIAL GERMAN NAVY AND NAZI COUNTERPART

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—In authoritative circles here, it is stated that the Germans have gloated that the German Fleet and Air Arm have exceeded the successes against Great Britain achieved by the Imperial German Navy in 1917.

Actually, say these circles, this is far from the case.

The Imperial German Navy, in its peak period, succeeded in sinking no less than 881,000 tons of shipping of all nations in the single month of April in 1917.

PEAK FIGURES

The Germans, in their peak month this year—June—succeeded in sinking 337,380 tons of British, Allied and neutral shipping.

In July their combined efforts by submarine, speed-boat, air and mine attack against British, Allied and neutral ships amounted to 310,249 tons.

U.S. - SOVIET RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Sumner Welles, the Assistant Secretary of State, indicated yesterday that the United States and Soviet Russia were seeking a general improvement in their relations.

Commenting on the conversation he had with M. Gromyko, the Soviet Ambassador in Washington, Mr. Welles said that many questions concerning Russo-American relations were discussed, a friendly and constructive attitude being shown on both sides.

Commons Debate On Conduct Of War

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter)—A debate will take place in the House of Commons the week after next on the general conduct of the war in the course of which Mr. Winston Churchill will make a statement on the position.

HITLER MUST FEED HIS CONQUERED VICTIMS

American Professor On Responsibilities

PROFESSOR ARTHUR GOODHART, An American who has occupied the Chair of Jurisprudence at Oxford since 1931 and who, in addition to being a member of the American Law Institute and a visiting professor at Yale University, is a Vice-President of the Institute International de Philosophie du Droit, has addressed a letter to The Times newspaper on Herr Hitler's responsibilities under international law in connection with the dangers of food shortage this winter in German-occupied territories in Europe.

Evidence continues to accumulate which points to the serious results of disorganisation of transport, by the German invasion and German military requirements upon the distribution of available food supplies in Europe.

Writing as a neutral American, who is concerned at this position, Professor Goodhart calls upon the British Government to make a clear pronouncement to the effect that it will lift the blockade on foodstuffs for enemy-occupied territories "provided the Nazis will evacuate these countries."

He makes the following points. "International Law, which represents the moral sense of all civilised countries, has always held it as the primary duty of the occupant of enemy territory to ensure public order and safety in countries he has seized. This is laid down by Article 43 of the Hague Regulations of 1899 and has been accepted by every authority on International Law. The duty to save from starvation the inhabitants of territories which he occupies, therefore, falls on Hitler and on no one else.

"Hitler has repeatedly stated Germany has large reserves of foodstuffs. On this point he is probably telling the truth. Why then has he seized food in the countries which he has occupied thus adding materially to the danger of famine there?"

Prof. Goodhart finds the answer in the German need of food material, especially fats, for the manufacture of explosives.

HITLER'S EFFRONTERY
"Hitler has announced he will force the countries he has seized to furnish him with war material, such as aeroplanes and guns, with which to attack England. He has the effrontery to demand that America shall feed his unwilling slaves so that he may not be hindered in his war preparations."

Prof. Goodhart then notes that Hitler, who is so ready to accuse Britain's contraband control, proudly proclaims his intention to starve Britain into surrender, and points out no one in Britain has thought to question his right to do so, if he can, although it may entail the starvation of women and children.

Prof. Goodhart concludes, "Hitler is, therefore, faced with two choices. He can either feed the people living in the territories he

PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter)—Lord Beaverbrook announced that contributions from the public for the purchase of aircraft now exceed £2,400,000.

Balkan Parleys To Begin Next Week

ARE YOU A NAZI?

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—The New York Herald-Tribune yesterday quotes a saying that if a German was honest and intelligent he was no Nazi. If he was not honest and a Nazi, he was not honest with himself. If he was a Nazi and honest, he was not intelligent.

British Protest To Rumania

LEGATION MEMBER THREATENED

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter)—It is learned in authoritative quarters in London, says Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent, that the British Legation in Bucharest is making a strong protest about the recent molestation by the Rumanian police of a messenger employed by the British Legation.

Information reaching London confirmed that the messenger was taken to police headquarters where he was questioned and threatened with a revolver.

The British Legation is calling for an immediate enquiry and punishment for the person responsible.

Supreme War Council

DOMINIONS AND CONDUCT OF WAR

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter)—In the House of Lords yesterday, Lord Davies asked whether Government, following the precedent of the last war proposed to invite Ministers of the Dominions to participate more directly in the conduct of the war and to create a Supreme War Council which include representatives of the British Commonwealth and India.

Viscount Caldecote, Secretary for the Dominions, said: "The desirability of arranging personal discussions with Dominion Ministers wherever possible as a further method of facilitating the closest possible co-operation between the war efforts of members of the British Commonwealth is constantly borne in mind by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom."

DISCUSSIONS WELCOMED
"Ministers from the Dominions visited London last autumn and useful discussions were then held on many subjects connected with the war. Other visits by individual Dominion Ministers have since taken place."

"The United Kingdom Government feel that the present moment is not opportune for inviting Dominion Ministers to London for an Imperial War Conference or other discussions, but they will certainly welcome such discussions if the occasion offers."

STANDARDISED TANK DESIGNS

BRITISH AID TO U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, disclosed yesterday that British veterans of the "Flanders pocket" are helping to adapt United States military tanks to modern war developments.

He said that the British Brigadier-General Pratt, as the official go-between on Anglo-American contract negotiations, had already made important contributions to the United States tank design.

Mr. Morgenthau explained that the British are trying to buy tanks in the United States but as it is unfeasible to build one type for the United States and another for Britain, the British authorities have decided to pool their experience in order to produce standardised types usable in both countries.

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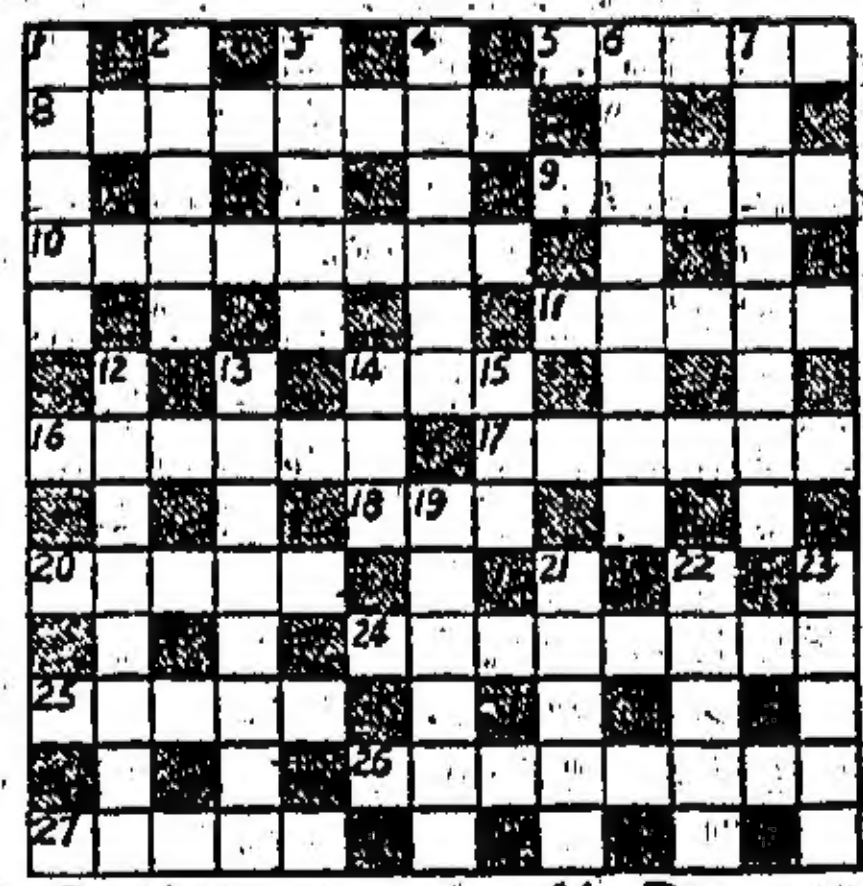
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EARLY CLOSING REGULATIONS DO NOT APPLY TO SHOPS GIVING OUT BICYCLES FOR HIRE

Judgment In Kowloon Court Summons

The "Early Closing Regulations" do not apply to shops giving out bicycles for hire was the decision reached by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday when he dismissed a summons against Chan Yiu, master of the Wai Cheong Bicycle Shop, of No. 105, Woosung Street, for carrying on business after 8 p.m. on July 11.

Delivering judgment, Mr. Macfadyen said:

By Sec. 2 Ordinance No. 5 of 1940, "Shop" includes any premises where any retail trade or business is carried on, but does not include Clubs, Hotels, public houses, restaurants, eating houses, tea rooms, or premises open for the sale only of medicines, aerated waters, sweets, chocolates, or other sugar confectionery or ice cream, tobacco or smokers' requisites; "retail trade or business" includes the business of a barber or hair dresser, but does not include the sale of petrol or newspapers, or the sale or distribution of milk, or the sale of programmes or refreshments at theatres and places of amusement.

It will be seen by this definition that all the exceptions in the first paragraph are of the nature of medicines, or refreshments sold retail. By analogy with the clause in general rule 1 "take it that" "retail trade or business" similarly means "retail trade" or "retail business," that is something material must in each case be retail.

PAYS FOR TIME

Consequently, just as in English Law there is no "fuitum usus" (as

in Roman and Roman Dutch Law) that is as when a car is used without the permission of the owner, so I cannot conceive of the retail of such a use, as in the hire of a bicycle for certain time. Here the only thing for which a customer pays is the time for which the bicycle is hired.

Even in the second paragraph of the Ordinance, where one specific kind of business is included in the Ordinance, and others are excluded, there is an element of retail since a barber sells hair lotions etc. retail, and petrol, newspapers etc. are all the retail.

Finally, since the legislature has taken the trouble specifically to include one kind of business in the second paragraph which conceivably might not come under the first paragraph, and to exclude other businesses, one of which, the sale of petrol (presumably by a petrol station or garage) bears some relation to the hire of a bicycle, as both facilitate possibly urgent transportation during the prohibited hours, I am quite sure that if, out of all the different kinds of businesses not specifically retail businesses, the hiring of bicycles would have been specifically included if the legislature has so intended.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

ROBBER CONVICTED

Chan To, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday on a charge of robbery, with others not in custody, at No. 239 Queen's Road East, second floor, on August 8.

Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Chan stole HK\$221.60, seven Hongkong silver dollars, \$75 Chinese currency, one gold bangle, one gold earring, and clothing, property of Tsang Pat-chan.

Defendant was seen by Indian constable B592 walking along the street with a suit case in his hands. When questioned he could not give a satisfactory explanation. The suit case was opened and the money and articles found inside.

He was taken to the Police station and later the complainant was located. Defendant admitted that he went to the address with two other men.

All the stolen money and articles were recovered.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

POSSESSION OF DRUGS

Lew Kim-yuen, alias Yee Suey-gat, alias Jew Slew, 43, a native of Tai Shan, charged with unlawful sale and distribution of opium, unlawful importation and sale of morphine and unlawful receipt and sale of opium dross (Yenshee) within the jurisdiction of the State of Oregon in the United States of America, was further remanded one week by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Chief Detective Inspector M. Murphy said that no words had yet been received from the United States.

EXPULSION ORDER

Appearing before Mr. Sheldon on remand yesterday Ng San, 28, shop fold, and Ng Hon, 25, sanitary coolie, were both convicted on a charge of demanding money from Pun Ng, 44, junk coxswain, and Chan Fun, 28, junk fold, respectively, with menaces.

The first defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour and the second to four months' hard labour. Both men were also recommended to be expelled from the Colony.

It was revealed in Court yesterday the men were brothers and the third man, not in custody, was a relative of theirs. The first defendant had one previous conviction.

Det.-Insp. W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

LARCENY BY SERVANT

Li Wai-chuen, 22, cook boy, employed by the Hon. Mr. H. R. Batters, of 154 The Peak, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday for stealing a mincing machine from his master.

Pun Lal, 21, wife of defendant, who was charged with receiving, was bound over in the sum of \$20 for 12 months.

Sub-Insps. Basting prosecuted.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY

Charged before Mr. Barnett yesterday with unnamed highway robbery, Kwok Kam-shul, unemployed, was remanded 72 hours in Police custody for further inquiries.

Kwok is alleged to have robbed Leung Wai on August 7 at Des Voeux Road West of a purse containing \$23.01.

Det.-Sgt. R. Cunningham is in charge of the case.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Charged with stealing 27 iron girders from the Military authorities, and receiving the same, a marine store dealer, Pun Ki, 45, of No. 58 Tai Yuen Street, was found not guilty on both charges by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Pun was defended by Mr. F. H. Loseby and Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the Military authorities. Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison represented the police.

Mr. Brown said the girders in question were stored in the R.E. compound, at the time. On July 27 a lorry drove into the R.E. compound and loaded the girders.

The lorry was stopped by the police of the compound. When he was told they had no permit the coolie went to look for a European but by the time he returned

MAGISTRATE HEARS SORDID TALE

FORCED TO MARRY SEPTUAGENARIAN

The story of how, at the age of 14 she was married by her mother's arrangement to a man of 70, Lau Kung-hon, now 74, residing at No. 70, Cheungshawan Road, was told at Kowloon Court yesterday by Li King-fa alias Li Mei-yuck, 19.

Lau Kung-hon charged with assaulting Li between 9 and 10 a.m. on July 31, when he is alleged to have struck her with a cane after first locking her up inside the house and attempting to make her sign a paper agreeing to divorce him.

Mr. G. S. Ford pleaded not guilty on behalf of Lau, while Insp. H. W. Faser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, appeared for the prosecution.

Giving evidence, Li said she was married five years ago, her mother receiving \$700 from defendant, who had himself four sons and three married daughters.

LOCKED IN ROOM

She had been treated well for the first two years, but was never allowed to leave the house since the marriage. During the past two years she had been badly treated by accused, and for periods was locked up in a room.

On July 31, after she had been accused of "looking at other people who looked back at her," defendant, she alleged gave her a paper to sign. Her signature would have meant agreement to a separation. She refused and defendant, she alleges, picked up a rattan cane and struck her several blows with it on the legs and thighs.

SUMMONS TAKEN OUT

Through a servant, she managed to get in touch with her mother, and on the following day was visited by Miss Phyllis Harrop, Lady Assistant at the S. C. A., and the summons was subsequently brought against defendant.

Dr. H. H. Tai, who examined Li on August 2, said in evidence that he had found 25 bruises on her body, several of which could have been caused by a cane.

Further hearing was adjourned to next Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.

The lorry had gone with the girders.

The girders were found at No. 3 Sand Street. They had been sold for \$100 but the military authorities put the value of the girders at \$500. The girders were recovered.

Cheung On, coolie employed in the R.E. compound, Tam Chi-king, driver of lorry No. 4355, Sgt. W. Ellender, chief storekeeper, R.E. and Pun Chat, godown keeper of the Tai On firm gave evidence.

Defendant testified that he bought the girders from Lau Cheung, who formerly worked for the Fat Lee contractors, and did not know they were Government property and had not been sold.

P.W.D. MAN FINED

A fine of \$25, in default, one month's imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Sheldon yesterday on Chan Sum, an employee of the P.W.D., for the theft of a tin of kerosene. Det.-Insp. W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

STUDENT FINED

Liu Chi-ting, alias Stephen Liu, 17, student, pleaded guilty before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at Central Court yesterday to driving a motor car belonging to Mr. N. L. Evans, of Butterfield and Swire, without the owner's permission. He admitted also having driven the car without having possessed a driver's licence.

Traffic Sub-Insps. F. J. Clarke said that Mr. Evans left the car parked in Connaught Road outside his office on Thursday morning. He received a telephone call about 3 p.m. from a friend who informed him that he had seen his car being driven in Stubbs Road with three Chinese in it.

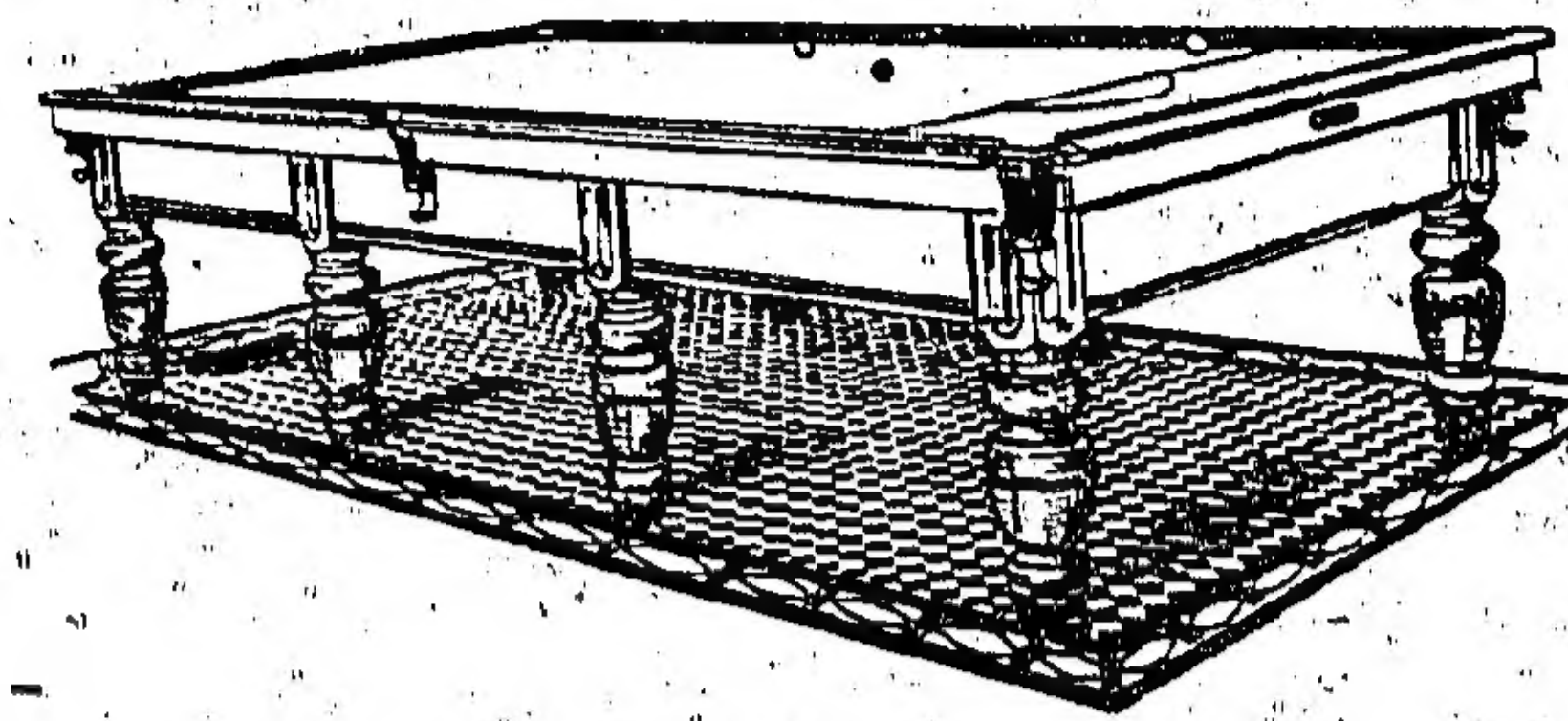
Mr. Evans notified the police and the car was located being driven in Caine Road.

Insp. Clarke asked his Worship to take a serious view of the case, pointing out that such offences had increased of late.

Liu claimed to be a student of St. Joseph's College.

Defendant was fined \$50, in default, four weeks' hard labour.

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Interesting Story Told By P.A.A.

The AMERICAN CLIPPER, which arrived in Hongkong last Tuesday on its maiden trans-Pacific flight between San Francisco and Hongkong, had an interesting story to tell of the inauguration of Pan American's new South Pacific route between San Francisco and Auckland, New Zealand.

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The unusual feature of these covers was that the Noumea, New Caledonia to Canton Island flight covers crossed the International Date Line so that they were mailed tomorrow and received today—or, mailed today and received yesterday. U.S. Civil Aeronautics observers aboard the plane for this flight had a similar experience. They ate "today" a dinner prepared for them "tomorrow."

The inaugural round-trip airmail flight covered exactly 16,477 statute miles in 102 flying hours, which was excellent time inasmuch as the Clipper detoured to look at the alternate airport in Suva, British Fiji Islands, which may be included as a regular stopping place on Pan American's South Pacific Service.

SEQUEL TO \$2,500 HAUL IN S'HAU

A burglar was brought before the First-Special District Court on Aug. 3 on a writ of detention in connection with the theft of more than \$2,500 worth of silverware from the home of Mr. K. Selby-Walker, Far Eastern Manager of Reuter, in Great Western Road.

The man was alleged to have broken into the victim's house late in the evening on Thursday, stole the valuable articles and pawned them for cash only to be caught a few hours later by the police.

He was said to have pawned six stolen articles only for a few dollars but the other articles, numbering 15 were recovered. The theft was committed during the absence of the victim who has gone to Japan on a business trip.

The accused Ling-Foh-ching was alleged to have climbed a garden wall and broken a window before stealing the silverware in the rooms downstairs. The victim's wife was sleeping in an upstairs room at the time.

SUMMARY COURT ACTION

POSSESSION OF FLOOR CLAIMED

An action claiming the possession of the ground floor of No. 284, Lockhart Road, was brought before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Summary Court yesterday.

The plaintiffs were the Leung Yu On Tong, who were represented by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios. The defendants were Wu Chak, who were represented by Mr. W. A. MacKinnay.

The plaintiffs alleged that the floor in question, which had been let to the Ng Chak, of Ng Family, in November 1937, had been converted into business premises. A representative of the landlord visited the premises and found business shops established in the house.

CUBICLES SUB-LET

Wu Sze, member of the defendant family, said that she had taken the premises for residence. She had divided the floor into three portions and she had sub-let two cubicles to tenants who established the Sun Cheung tailor shop and the Li Man firm.

The rent in November 1937 was \$35 a month and was later increased to \$45 last year. Sometime this year she had received a letter demanding the rent be increased another \$16.

WITHIN ORDINANCE

Evidence was also given by the two tenants who had established their business in the premises, following which Mr. Justice Williams said that the premises were not used solely for business but partly as a dwelling house and Wu Sze and her family were therefore protected by the Ordinance.

Notice to quit the premises was to set aside and the defendants were to remain in the premises. The outstanding rent to be settled within a week and no order of costs would be made.

\$2,000 HAUL

Early on Aug. 2 the home of Mr. K. Selby-Walker, acting general manager of Reuters Limited and Mrs. Walker at 7, Great Western Road was entered by a burglar who got away with silverware to the value of about \$2,292.

It was ascertained that the prowler got in through an open French window. The police, who were informed of the burglary, made investigations into the case. Mr. Selby-Walker left for Japan a few days ago to attend to the estate of the late Mr. Cox and on business of the British news agency.

S'HAU CHINESE NEWSPAPERMAN STILL MISSING

There was no clue to the whereabouts on Aug. 2 of Mr. Gni Lai-seng, chief accountant of the "Sin Wan Fao," who, as reported in the "North-China Daily News" was kidnapped shortly before midnight on Aug. 2 by three Chinese dressed in western clothes. Thus the number of missing and murdered men blacklisted by the Nanking Government a few weeks ago has increased.

REPORT TO POLICE

Mr. Gni's wife, accustomed to her husband's home-coming at about midnight, was surprised when he had not returned at the usual time and reported the case to the police.

A detective from the French police was sent to the place and was informed by the watchman of Zau Zui Li, a lane where Mr. Gni lives, that the latter was returning home at about 11.45 p.m. on Friday when he was accosted by three men who asked him to follow them.

Mr. Gni did not resist and followed them to their car, which stood in Rue Voloin, just outside the lane. According to the watchman, the car was driven away in a northerly direction, towards the International Settlement. The watchman remembered the number of the car and informed the police of the fact, but so far it has not been found.

FIRING PRACTICE

Light gun firing practice will be carried out between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. tomorrow.

Firing area "A" will be affected. Firing practice will be carried out between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. on Monday.

Firing areas "C," "D," "E" and an area of a 1,000 yards circle of which Makong Island will be the centre.

Firing practice will be carried out between 9 a.m. and midnight on Tuesday.

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V. M. GRAYBURN,
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Hongkong, 9th July, 1940.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th August, 1940.

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NEW JUDGE FOR
S'HAU DISTRICT
COURT

It is authoritatively learned that criminal proceedings in the First Special District Court will not be much affected by the recent assassination of Judge Chien Hong-yeh, late chief of the criminal branch of the tribunal despite the fact that his successor has not yet been chosen, says the North China Daily News.

His successor's name will be announced as soon as a decision has been reached and it is learned that in doing so local judicial authorities may not refer to Chungking. At present, it is said, there are many judges well versed in Criminal Law connected with the Court.

The late Judge Chien was held in high esteem by authorities at Chungking and Gen. Chiang Kai-shek has just sent a message of condolence to his family.

It is also learned that Chungking will decide to eulogize the late judge in a public statement and to give a compensation as well as funeral funds. The funeral has already been held here, however, in the presence of a large crowd of the late judge's colleagues and admirers.

H.K. CENTENARY
STAMPS

Designed by a local artist for the purpose of celebrating Hongkong's Centenary, some millions of stamps will leave England in October for the Colony.

The stamps depict the progress made by Hongkong during its 100 years as a British Crown Colony. The designs are: 2-cents; vertical, sepia with orange centre; Hongkong street scene, (1,500,000).

4-cents; horizontal, magenta with bright purple centre; liner and junk, (1,000,000).

5-cents; horizontal, standard green with black centre; the University, (4,800,000).

15-cents; horizontal, standard red with black centre; view of Hongkong harbour, (1,600,000).

25-cents; vertical, standard blue with sienna centre; Hongkong Bank and Des Voeux Road, Central (720,000).

\$1; horizontal, orange with bright ultra-marine centre; China Clipper and sea plane, (480,000).

Mr. Rowi Alley will be the speaker at the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group tomorrow at 9 p.m. His address will deal with the work of the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives. Mr. Alley will speak on the same subject Tuesday next at 9 p.m., at the Helena May Institute. His address will be illustrated by David Griffith's film "A Nation Rebuilds."

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AMERICAN HINT
TO JAPAN

THE FIRST concrete hint of the American attitude towards Japan's new policy in the Orient was given yesterday by a well-known political writer in the Washington Post. The views expressed by him bear out what we have already contended, that the United States cannot remain indifferent to what is taking place in the Far East and that her interests are too closely bound up with that of Britain and the other western powers to allow her to stand aloof and allow Japan to carry out her plans for the reorientation of the political status of possessions held by third powers in this part of the world. In other words, America is plainly determined to call Japan's political bluff and, in informing the Gai-musho indirectly of how she regards the reported intentions of the Japanese, takes the opportunity to remind them that the United States will not evade her responsibilities under the Four-Power Treaty to assist in preserving the status quo of British, French and Dutch possessions in the Far East. As a matter of fact, the first indication of the disapproval with which America views any attempt by the Japanese to take advantage of the present international situation to further their own ends in the Far East was given when a ban was imposed on the export of petrol and scrap metal to Japan and the immediate protest lodged by the Japanese Government on this issue is evidence of the importance which Japan places on any American gestures which are to the disadvantage of Nipponese ideas.

IT NOW REMAINS to be seen how far Japan will go in the initial step she has taken against Indo-China. The situation at the moment is somewhat obscure. Reports received in Hongkong have been contradictory and confused and no confirmation is available, from official sources, at least, of the alleged demands stated to have been made to the authorities in Indo-China. What is becoming transparently clear, however, is that Nazi pressure is being strongly exerted on Tokyo to create a diversion in the East in order to make Japan put her programme of expansion into immediate effect. What blatant promises the Nazis have held out to the Japanese are not known, but it is apparent that there is still a cautious school of thought in Japanese Government circles which is not ready to fall in wholeheartedly with German ideas of political conduct. Not that there is today much difference between the political principles of Germany and Japan or Italy and Japan, but no doubt the Japanese, with their long experience of political opinion in the Far East, realise better the repercussions which ill-conceived action might have on their own posterity.

THE MOST IMPORTANT development in the Japanese threat to Indo-China—

Netherlands-Japan Trade
Relations: Nothing Unusual:
Burma Route Traffic

(Special To The Hongkong Daily Press)

MR. D. G. E. MIDDELBURG, ACTING NETHERLANDS CONSUL GENERAL STATED IN REPLY TO A QUESTION PUT BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS that although the Java-Japanese trade relations have recently come into the news limelight, commerce between Netherlands Indies and Japan is nothing unusual.

THE NETHERLANDS CONSUL had no official information to give on the Netherlands attitude regarding General Koiso's recent statement about the Java question.

(Note By Ed: It will be recalled that General Koiso, who has been chosen by Prince Konoye as Japan's special envoy to the Dutch Indies, said that Java has been exploited and oppressed for a long time as a foreign colony, and that the construction of the "New Order" in Asia dictates that Java be not left in the present status for ever. However, Japan has no intention of monopolizing Java's raw materials and products, Gen. Koiso stated.)

SOME STATISTICS

Although not being in a position to give trade statistics on the Java-Japan-commerce for 1939 and 1940, Mr. Middeldburg kindly furnished the official figures for 1938. The Dutch East Indies imports from Japan totalled 72,000,000 guilders for 1938, while exports in the same year to Japan were valued at 21,000,000 guilders.

The largest quantities of products exported to Japan by the Dutch East Indies for 1938 consisted of the following items:—350,000 tons of oil, including kerosene, gasoline, lubricating oil, etc., 74,000 tons of timber, 62,000 tons of maize, 62,000 tons of metals, scrap iron mostly, 15,000 tons of copra, and other oil containing seeds and products, 15,000 tons of sugar, and 10,000 tons of rubber.

The Japanese imports to Netherlands Indies are largely industrial and manufactured products of great variety, including earthenware, cotton yarn, wearing apparel and hardware. The figures for 1938 are:—83,000 tons of cement, 35,000 tons of pieces goods, which includes 3,000 tons of artificial silk, 18,000 of glassware, mostly bottles, and 10,000 tons of packing cases.

"We buy more than we sell to Japan," concluded the Netherlands Consul, after having given the export and import figures between the Netherlands Indies and Japan.

though contradictions have robbed the news of some of its value—is the newly reported intention of the puppet Government in France to order the authorities in Indo-China to oppose any Japanese attack on the French Colony. This is naturally heartening, particularly to the Chinese, who have complained with justification at the earlier compromise which the French reached with the Japanese over the closure of the highway to Yunnan. The decision of the French authorities will now enable the Chinese to place their own troops along with the French forces to stop the Japanese invaders. This will considerably strengthen the opposition which the Japanese forces will be faced with and has, no doubt, jeopardised their plans for a quick coup in Indo-China. Here again, it is most likely that the Japanese were misled by the Germans, who must have tried to convince them that they would meet no opposition from the French colonial authorities. This, however, is mere conjecture and will possibly appear rather contradictory to those who hold the view that Herr Hitler would not be inclined to give Japan too free a hand in the East. At the moment, however, it is not possible to get a clearer analysis of how the situation in the Pacific will develop, but one thing is certain now and that is that Britain and the United States are ready to stand together should Japan persist in disturbing the peace of the Orient.

TRAFFIC ON BURMA
ROAD

Contrary to the Japanese report asserting that war materials and chemicals are still flowing through the Burma Road into Chungking, a Chinese official, who is closely connected with transportation circles, told a representative of the Hongkong Daily Press that only medicines were being sent into the interior through Burma.

At the present moment the traffic is very limited owing to the rainy season, the official added.

He also declared that the transportation through Indo-China is being reduced owing to the shortage of materials in that area and the self-sufficiency of the Chinese Government.

Asked as to the Chinese exports through these two routes, the official said that they went out as usual without any difficulty. Furthermore, American ships take their own goods from these two places. It is understood that once the exports are on board American ships, they become the buyers' property.

Newsettes

Falling 20 feet a 19-year-old amah, Cheng Hsueh of No. 19, Gun Club Hill, was killed yesterday. She was cleaning windows at the time.

Four Chinese Deacons will be ordained to the Priesthood in the Roman Catholic Cathedral tomorrow at 7 a.m.

Theft of clothing has been reported to the police by Major R. C. Giles of No. 177, Boundary Street, 930 p.m. on Wednesday and 730 a.m. on Thursday.

A Japanese convoy, consisting of about 20 transports and escorted by warships, was reported to have been sighted near Hongkong on Thursday, according to vernacular reports.

His Excellency the Acting Governor is in residence at Mountain Lodge until further notice. His Excellency has no public engagements for the week ending on Saturday, Aug. 17.

An enjoyable evening was spent on Thursday when the Fortress Engineers presented "An Evening of Variety" at the Wellington Barracks before a large crowd. The following artistes took part—Marino and Jamino, Ernest Perry, David Kossick, Sprs. Thorn, Graff, Boddy, Ley, Richmond, Jackson, Sinclair, and Harrison.

The Board of Administrators of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China Hongkong and South China branch has made an additional grant to Miss Marion Dudley, Y.W.C.A. Secretary for South China, of the sum of HK\$2,100 (at the rate of \$700 per month for three months), for the refugee work of the Canton Y.W.C.A. in the Miao area, for feeding refugee women and children in that area.

WHAT AMERICA THINKS

While the nations of Europe are harping on the verge of "Spot," distraction by menaces they neither may escape nor fend, give a thought to the Filipinos who felt the touch of independence with their finger tips without being permitted to grasp it. There are those who believed the wards of the United States were misguided in their choice of national independence over that of statehood, but the preference was theirs and Americans agreed with them to the extent of congressional authorization for a Filipino republic by 1948.

The ink had scarcely dried on the agreement when the Japanese conquest programme in the Far East was launched.

Along with the military menace, the Filipinos became acquainted with the economics that go with independence. Their relation as a territory of the United States permitted exemption from tariff. Along with the process for growing into national entity in a matter of years, went graduation upward of tariff duties on Filipino exports to the United States and the awakening began. Prosperity went with free trade. What will come if the tariff returns to its original status is the immediate Filipino nightmare. The dread which produces sleeplessness, is, however, of a different structure. Its capital is Tokyo.

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H.K. VOLUNTEER
ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT,
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

RECRUITS MEDICAL
EXAMINATION

Aug. 16. H.Q. 530 p.m. Orderly Medical Officer—Lt. G. T. Salean.

PARADES

Corps Artillery
Dress for all Day Training for all other Ranks Coast Defence Batteries.

Helmet, shirt, shorts, puttees rolled down, black boots, full web equipment with haversack, anti-gas, respirator, water bottle filled. Overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried, also steel helmet, spoon, fork, knife, plate and mug.

1st Battery

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. B.C.A. L.G. Class.

2nd Battery

Aug. 10. H.Q. for Bluff Head 230 p.m. Week-end training. Greatcoat to be carried in addition to other articles ordered.

4th Battery

Aug. 10. H.Q. for Pak Sha Wan. 230 p.m. Week-end training. Greatcoat to be carried in addition to other articles ordered.

5th A.A. Battery

Aug. 13. (i) No. 1 Section, H.Q. 7.30 a.m. Full day's training. Dress—Helmet, shirt, trousers, boots, full web equipment including haversack and water bottle (filled), steel helmet over left shoulder; spare shirt, overalls to be carried in haversack as well as knife, fork and plate. (ii) No. 2 Section, H.Q. 530 p.m. Lewis Gun Course. Dress—Muti.

FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS
Aug. 12. K.C.R. 530 p.m. Arms Drill. Dress—Muti.

CORPS SIGNALS

Aug. 11. Mainland Line Detachment Reconnaissance.

Aug. 12. H.Q. 515 p.m. All groups. Signal training.

Aug. 14. H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) W/T Detachment. Specialist training at Victoria Barracks. (ii) Line Detachments 1 and 2. Area Line Tests. (iii) Line Detachment 3, 4, and 5. Signal training on Murray Parade Ground. (iv) D/E Section. Signal training as detailed. (v) Attachment duties with Royal Signals as per roster. (vi) Evening parade. Lamp relaying.

MOBILE COLUMN

Aug. 12. H.Q. 530 p.m. Kit inspection. All equipment and clothing to be brought.

Aug. 14. The entire personnel of the Mobile Column will parade at Hung Hom as detailed hereunder unless exemption has been previously granted by O. C. Mobile Column.

Nos. 1 & 2 (Armed Car) Pns. Vehicle Party—0715 hrs. and Remainder—0800 hrs. Dress—Battle Order. Overalls, R.T.R. cap will be carried.

Nos. 3, 4, & 5 (M.M.G.) Pns. Working Party—0730 hrs. and Remainder—0800 hrs. Dress—Battle Order less tin hats. Sun helmet will be worn. Orderly Serg. —Sgt. R. F. Hopkins and Orderly Cpl. —Cpl. S. A. Fowler.

Notice—The full days training on Wednesday, Aug. 21 is cancelled as a two days exercise will take place on Aug. 24/25.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Aug. 12. All day parade. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Markers. 8.25 a.m.

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. Nos. 1, 2, & 3 Pns. L.G. Training. Recruits—Squad under Sgt. Edwards.

NO. 2 COMPANY

Aug. 13. Nos. 6 and 7 Pns. H.Q. 530 p.m. No. 8 Pn. Kowloon Dock Training programme parade No. 12.

NO. 3 COMPANY

Aug. 12. H.Q. 8.15 a.m. Dress as before. Spare shirts to be taken in haversacks.

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. Recruits. N.C.O.'s Class.

NO. 4 COMPANY

Aug. 12. (i) Nos. 13 and 15 Platoons. H.Q. 7.30 a.m. for H.K. men and Kowloon Railway Station 8 a.m. for Kowloon men. Field training at Fanling. (ii) No. 14 Platoon. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Dress same as for last week.

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. Those detailed for L.G. Recruits. Musketry.

NO. 5 COMPANY

Aug. 12. H.Q. 8 a.m. Dress—Same as for last week.

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. (i) Recruits E.G.D. (ii) L.G. Section. Stripping and Assembling (Elementary). (iii) Remainder. Lecture and Instruction, out of doors, on Method of Fire.

NO. 6 COMPANY

Aug. 12. H.Q. 8 a.m. Those detailed will report to O.C. No. 5 Company. Dress—Same as for last week.

Aug. 13. H.Q. 530 p.m. N.C.O.'s Class.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS
COMPANY

Aug. 11. Murray Parade Ground. 9.30 a.m. Transport Section. Whole day transport exercise. Dress for All Ranks.—Shirt, shorts, helmet, boots, puttees, hosetops, belt, respirator. Haversack and water-bottle optional. Duty Officer—Capt. A. H. Potts.

Aug. 12 to 18 inclusive. Transport and Supplies Sections or duly as detailed under arrangements. Section leaders to forward section training programmes to C.S.M. by Monday, August 12.

FIELD AMBULANCE

Aug. 13. Right Section. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Under Lt. Stout.

Aug. 14. Central Section. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Under Lt. Rodriguez.

PAY SECTION

Aug. 14. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Dress—Muti.

COMMAND

Lieut. L. Goldman assumed the Command of 5th A.A. Battery with effect from 28.30.

E. H. THURSBY, Captain.
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

An extraordinary meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee will be held in the Sergeants' Mess on Tuesday, August 13 at 5.30 p.m.

TRAINING CADRE

The Military authorities inform us that the following squads of the Training Cadre will fire their range course on Sunday.

Squads:—H9A, H10A, H11A, H12A, H14, H15, H16, H17.

Members of these squads will parade at Kowloon Tong B. Range at 9.30 a.m. Any other members of the Cadre who have not hitherto fired a rifle should report to the Range Officer at the same time.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. Home Nursing Lecture. Aug. 12 St. John's Cathedral Hall. 5.30 p.m. Practical Class. Aug. 14 Military Hospital, Bowen Road. Transport arrangements are as follows:—

Non office workers—Vol. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. and Office workers—Queen's Pier. 4.15 p.m.

Members are requested to adhere strictly to these arrangements in order to avoid over-crowding.

(Sgd.) Mrs. I. M. S. Brande.
Commandant,
Nursing Detachment,
H.K.V.D. Corps.

GERMAN
PROPAGANDA
MISFIRES

LONDON, August 9. (Reuter)—The Viceroy of India slightly injured his ankle during his tour of Southern and Western India.

A message from Poona says that he will, however, fulfil all engagements which do not entail standing or walking. He is in excellent health.

The Viceroy's tour has been unfortunate for the German radio. On Tuesday, Dr. Goebbels speaking over the Nazi radio, reported Monday's railway accident on the Calcutta-Dacca line and said that it was an attempt on the life of the Viceroy.

His special train, said Dr. Goebbels, had passed over the line just before the accident.

Needless to say, Dr. Goebbels did not repeat this story in the broadcast to India for very good reasons. The people of India know that the Viceroy was 1,500 miles away at the time.

TERRIFIC NAZI LOSSES IN CONVOY RAIDS: HURRICANE SQUADRON BAGS 21 SKY LITERALLY BLACK WITH ENEMY PLANES

LONDON, AUG. 9 (REUTER)—A FULLER STORY OF THE GREAT SKY BATTLE OVER THE ENGLISH CHANNEL YESTERDAY GIVEN BY THE AIR MINISTRY LAST NIGHT SAYS: "THE GERMAN AIR FORCE TODAY SUFFERED THEIR HEAVIEST LOSSES SINCE THE AIR WAR ROUND OUR COASTS BEGAN."

"Nineteen Junkers dive-bombers and 34 Messerschmidt fighters—53 in all—were destroyed by Hurricanes and Spitfires over the English Channel. They were shot down during a series of attacks on convoys which lasted from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Sixteen of our fighters are missing."

"A Hurricane squadron in three flights sent 21 enemy aircraft crashing into the sea. One was shot down by Polish pilots in action with the Fighter Command for the first time."

"Today's main air battle was fought in three parts. First, German attack on the convoy took place between 9 and 9.30 a.m. when six Junkers dive-bombers and three Messerschmidts were destroyed by a squadron of Hurricanes which was most successful in the day's engagements."

"SECOND ATTACK
"Second attack on the same convoy by a still larger formation of dive-bombers and escorting fighters developed between 11.30 a.m. and 1 p.m."

"Finally, throwing nearly 150 dive-bombers and fighters into the battle, the Germans made a third attack between 4 and 5 p.m. "A squadron leader, describing one of the fights, said the sky over the convoy was 'literally black' with German bombers and fighters."

"After the first morning battle, a Polish flying officer (who speaks very little English) told, with the help of his fellow pilots, how he saw his first large formation of Junkers supported by new Heinkel 113 fighters."

"PRE-ARRANGED PLAN
"He said he was attacked by three Heinkel 113s who seemed to be working to plan—one flying alone and the other two as a pair. "If you attack the pair the single one tries to get you tail."

"He tackled the single Heinkel and watched it go down smoking, though he was unable to see the final crash. The other two flew off. "It was during the last battle in the afternoon that this Polish pilot got his first Messerschmidt 109."

"A flight lieutenant in the most successful Hurricane squadron managed to bring down two Junkers though his engines stopped."

"A CLOSE CALL
"He said he was forced to retire owing to engine failure but dived on a Junkers 87. "After three or four seconds of bursts it dived and crashed into the sea. My engine started again so I went after him before he was able to make his dive-bombing attack on the convoy. He dived into the sea at high speed. After this second attack my engine stopped for good and I only just got back to England."

"He managed to land at a nearby aerodrome."

"In the second battle of the day three Hurricanes of this squadron met 10 Messerschmidt 110s and shot three of them and a Messerschmidt 109 down into the sea."

DAYLIGHT RAIDS BY R.A.F.

KIEL DOCKYARDS BOMBED

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué states yesterday that R.A.F. bombers carried out daylight attacks on enemy occupied aerodromes in Holland.

Last night, our bombers though hampered again by poor weather, attacked the Hamburg oil plant, Kiel dockyards, store depots in Hamm, and a number of aerodromes in northwest Germany. All our aircraft returned safely."

"The Coastal Command report the loss of one aircraft engaged in a report the loss of one in reconnaissance over the Norwegian coast yesterday."

NAZI OVER-ACTED

"One Messerschmidt 109 was being used as a decoy. While the Hurricanes were attacking, the 110s were supposed to take them by surprise, but as one of the Hurricanes pilots said: "The Messerschmidt 109 over-acted his part."

"Meanwhile a Spitfire squadron chased seven Messerschmidt 109s over the Channel and destroyed six of them."

"As the finishing touch a Spitfire pilot fired at a German torpedo-boat off Calais; several of the crew fell overboard."

E-BOAT ATTACK

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—An Admiralty and Air Ministry communiqué states that enemy attacks on one of our convoys in the Channel were made in the dark hours early yesterday morning by E-boats. During these attacks, one E-boat was sunk and another damaged. Three coasting vessels in the convoy were struck by torpedoes and sunk."

Air attacks on this convoy began this morning and were renewed at intervals throughout the day."

SEVERAL HITS SCORED

The results of enemy bombing attacks are not fully known, but several ships received considerable damage, the extent of which it has not yet been possible to ascertain."

A number of survivors and injured are already landed."

The attacking enemy forces consisted of large numbers of dive-bombers, accompanied by single and twin-engine fighters."

As each attack developed, the enemy formations were heavily engaged by squadrons of Air Force fighters. Severe losses were inflicted on the enemy."

Full details of the enemy's losses are not yet available but it is already confirmed that 53 enemy aircraft have been destroyed."

Sixteen of our fighter pilots are at present reported missing."

DETERMINED ATTACK

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—It is believed in London that about one-third of the German air losses in yesterday's battle were Junkers 87 dive-bombers. The remainder were fighters, but it is not yet known how many were single and how many were double-engine planes."

"The German planes attacked about 80 at a time in the biggest, most determined and most continuous air battle of the war off the British coasts."

Intermittent attacks spread over 14 hours."

PILOT'S HEROISM

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A British fighter pilot, faced with a split-second decision to bale out from his blazing machine or not, was one of the heroes of yesterday's Channel air battles."

His aircraft, hit by an enemy fighter's machine-gun fire, caught alight and was soon in flames from stem to stern."

Had the pilot baled out he inevitably must have crashed into buildings in the centre of a south-east coast town."

With gallant self-sacrifice he remained at the controls as the machine lost height until it dived into the sea 50 yards from shore."

SIXTY DOWNED

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announced that later reports show that the total of German planes brought down in the air battle over the Channel yesterday numbered 60."

The additional seven planes are five bombers and two fighters."

NAZI RAIDER DOWNED

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A German bomber was shot down into the sea this morning after a fight with three Spitfires off the north-east coast."

A life-boat picked up three of the crew, who were in a rubber boat."

Shanghai Kidnappers Active

SHANGHAI, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Despite the extra precautions by the police and military, in connection with the approaching third anniversary of the local hostilities, kidnappers continued their activity by seizing Wang Sou-chi, 40-year-old manager of the Sing Wah Dyeing factory in front of his office in the International Settlement this morning."

The victim was taken away in his motorcar. The motive is believed to be non-political as Wang is not known to have been associated with a political group."

Wang's car was approaching the office when it was surrounded by four gunmen. One shot was fired. There is no new development in connection with the kidnapping of six Chinese yesterday."

SUCCESSOR TO METZLER

SHANGHAI, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Formal recognition of M. N. A. Ivanov, Russian attorney, as successor to M. Charles E. Metzler as chairman of the Russian Emigrants Committee, is scheduled to take place this afternoon when Mayor Fu Siao-en, of the Greater Shanghai Municipality, is expected to announce the approval of the new official."

M. Metzler was murdered last week."

IMPORTANT STEP

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though the Congress Press maintains the statement is not acceptable."

The moderate Congress opinion appears to be fairly reflected by the BOMBAY CHRONICLE which holds that the "offer of free and equal partnership is a reasonable approach to the demand for independence, if accompanied by time limit."

Jawaharlal Nehru's paper LUCKNOW NATIONAL HERALD says, "The wilderness is calling; we shall answer."

NO STATEMENT

The Muslims appear to be satisfied by the declaration although Mr. Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, has not made a statement."

Mr. Gandhi says, "It may be presumptuous for me to say anything since I have withdrawn from Congress."

Liberals and allied Parties and the depressed classes welcome the statement."

The CALCUTTA STATEMAN says the proposal must end in a stalemate. How it works will depend on the Indians themselves—on those who recognise the moment and who answer the great call to be the founders and makers of a new India."

The BOMBAY TIMES OF INDIA says, "Taken as a whole, the statement concedes the essence of what even Congress had in the past steadily demanded."

NO SHORTAGE OF NURSES

Govt. Appreciation
Of Empire Offer

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A suggestion that nurses brought from overseas on an organised plan should, supplement trained nurses available here in view of the possibility of heavy civilian casualties was mentioned by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Minister of Health, in a written reply to a question in the House of Commons."

He said that he had recently given special consideration to the question. He advised that our own resources should be sufficient, if used to their full extent, to render this course unnecessary but he would keep the matter under review."

Mr. Macdonald expressed Government's deep appreciation for the spirit that prompted a number of fellow citizens in other parts of the Empire to offer their services to the Mother Country in this way."

BRITISH TROOPS WITHDRAWN

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In view of its international concern from every point of view and in the light of the general situation."

CAREFUL REVIEW

A full and careful review of the British military position in general had only recently been completed. As a result the decision was reached that the time has come for adjustment which will not weaken but, on the contrary, should considerably improve the strategic position of the British forces in the Far East as a whole."

The United States Government were informed in advance of the Government's intention."

The forces for withdrawal consist of two battalions mostly in Shanghai. There is a company in Tientsin and a platoon at Peking."

It was obvious that such small police forces, separated by a great distance, were, from the military point of view, more a liability than an asset."

Reuter adds that the troops in Shanghai comprise the Second Battalion, The Seaforth Highlanders, while in North China there is only a small number of the East Surreys."

The British military authorities decline to reveal the date of departure of the troops, their destination or future plans regarding the British and French sectors."

"VERY PLEASED"

The Japanese Embassy spokesman, interviewed by Reuter, said: "The Japanese authorities are very pleased at this action."

He recalled the Japanese request, at the time of the Italian entry into the war, for the withdrawal of belligerent third Power forces from Shanghai in order to prevent incidents, and added: "We expect other Powers will follow the British lead."

Semi-official French sources state that no withdrawal of French forces is contemplated, while the American and Italian authorities were non-committal."

Officials of the Nanking regime expressed "pleasure" at the announcement and hoped the action would be followed by other Powers."

15,000 MEN

Reuter learns that the question of disposal of the British force at Shanghai, amounting to some 15,000 men, according to authoritative estimates, has been under consideration by the British Government since before the war."

Krupps Works Patents

INVESTIGATION
IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A special Federal Grand Jury has been empanelled to receive testimony from Government experts in ten vital fields that are alleged to have suffered from monopolistic control exercised partly by German, arms and industrial organisations."

This announcement was made by Mr. Thurman Arnold, head of the Anti-Trust Division of the Department of Justice."

Mr. Arnold stated that particular emphasis was being placed on the inability of the American industry to produce essential war supplies because of German ownership and control of vital patents."

Foremost of these was the complete failure to exploit American magnesium sources."

The patents controlled by Krupps works are being investigated."

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WICKHAM STEED

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Steed. "If we take this visit in connection with what he said last Saturday that the threat of a German invasion of this country has not yet passed away, we may take it that the German effort to put us off our guard has completely failed."

Mr. Steed went on to add that the attack on British Somaliland, the rumours in Spain and the talk of an impending attack on Gibraltar must be considered as important developments."

"I, however, look upon all these as diversions," continued Mr. Steed, "and I cannot see how they can be taken as connected with an attack on Great Britain."

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE

"When we say we are not afraid of anything that Herr Hitler may use against us, there is a piece of evidence which I find most convincing and which has not been mentioned elsewhere. My mail recently has included two or three pamphlets and memoranda on the way in which peace should be organised after we have beaten Herr Hitler. The impression given in these pamphlets and memoranda is that this attack on England may not come at all."

"I admit that this may sound a bit premature, but I say that people would not be spending their time indulging in this exercise of writing about what sort of peace we must have unless they are sure that we can beat Herr Hitler."

WAR IN AFRICA

Mr. Steed considered that the Italian invasion of British Somaliland was the most important event of the week."

"It certainly looks unpleasant, judged by the scale of the standard of this war," he added. "But we need to judge the position in North-East Africa in the light of the French surrender to German dictates. That surrender has complicated the position and made our task harder, but I shall be very surprised if the Italian forces could do anything against us without German stiffening."

"The sole idea of the Italian dictator is one of gaining some sort of prestige in the eyes of the Nazis."

"WE HAVE SOMETHING BIGGER THAN PRESTIGE TO FIGHT FOR NOW—WE WANT TO MAKE A DECENT WORLD FOR DECENT PEOPLE TO LIVE IN."

SOUTH-EAST EUROPE

Turning to South-East Europe, Mr. Steed briefly commented upon Bulgaria's claims against Rumania, which he considered were quite just as South Dbrujas at one time belonged to Bulgaria."

"This may not be to the liking of King Carol," declared Mr. Steed, "but after his peculiar behaviour in bowing to German wishes, he will have to lie on the bed that he has made."

"I don't envy Herr Hitler's excursion into South-East Europe, what he has said and done so far are minor issues in this war."

"THE MAJOR ISSUE REMAINS THAT UNTIL AND UNLESS HERE HITLER SMASHES GREAT BRITAIN HIS WHOLE CONQUEST WILL BE PRECARIOUS. THEREFORE, I THINK HE MIGHT TRY TO SMASH AND I KNOW HE WILL NOT SUCCEED."

SINO-JAPANESE WAR UNUSUAL

OLD CAMPAIGNER
INTERVIEWED

CHUNGKING, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Sino-Japanese war is an unusual war in many respects and will end in an unusual manner, declared General Kwan Lin-cheng, Commander of the Chinese forces on the North Hsian front, who is at present visiting Chungking, in an interview with foreign pressmen."

General Kwan, who participated and was wounded in the fighting at Kupaikou on the Great Wall north of Peking in 1933, and took part in the Shanghai, Taireichwang, Hankow and Changsha battles, declared:

"CHINA WILL WIN
"China will win without a decisive battle while Japan will be defeated without fighting."

After stating that China has been fighting three years without her army being crushed or her resources being exhausted, the General asserted that China is prepared to continue fighting for three more years and if necessary for 30 more years."

Japan, he said, is being steadily exhausted in manpower and resources while her enemies are growing steadily stronger, and one day these enemies will defeat Japan without fighting."

CHINESE SPIRIT HIGH

Expressing the opinion that the Sino-Japanese war is only part of the world conflict, General Kwan stated that Japan will inevitably be defeated in the end as the result of international developments."

He concluded by saying that the spirit and determination of the Chinese army at the front are high and that he is confident of China's final victory."

BURMA ROAD ALLEGATION

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent learns from an authoritative source that the Japanese naval spokesman's suggestion in Tokyo that war materials are still proceeding by the Burma Road is devoid of foundation."

He also pointed out that medical supplies which the spokesman mentioned are not among the categories, transport of which is forbidden by the agreement."

PRECAUTIONS IN EGYPT
CAIRO, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—All foreigners in Egypt, except the Diplomatic Corps, are required to register with the Police authorities by a decree published in the official journal."

They are being registered with the view to an issue of identity cards."

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Indo-China Situation

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reports are without any official confirmation. FRENCH FLEET TO TAKE UP POSITIONS
Determined to resist invasion from any quarter the Indo-China Governor-General, Vice-Admiral F. Decoux, has ordered the French Far Eastern Fleet to take up positions at various Indo-China ports, according to the local Chinese Press."

French Colonial troops, it is reported, are being augmented by recruiting Annamites."

A military conference, it is reported, has been summoned by the Japanese Commander-in-Chief of the China Naval Squadron to be held in Hainan very shortly with a view to drawing up necessary measures."

30,000 TROOPS
According to Chinese reports, the Japanese have some 30,000 troops along this frontier and are receiving reinforcements daily from the Canton area."

Contrary to reports, the Imperial Airways plane Dorado, which arrived here on Thursday evening, did not see any concentrations of the Japanese Fleet."

The situation in Indo-China is reported to be quiet despite the Japanese threat."

FOOD IMPORTS
As the result of the temporary stoppage of shipping between Hongkong and Canton, pending negotiations between the British Consul-General in Canton and the Japanese Naval authorities, the Colony will now have to rely on Macao for fresh food imports, since the Japanese are nominally in control of the border where the situation was reported to be quiet."

The blockade on the China Coast by the Japanese seems to be gradually extending."

10,800 U.S. Planes A Year
NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. William Knudson, production chief of the National Defence Commission, in a broadcast said that aircraft production in the United States had reached the rate of 10,800 a year and will pass the 18,000 mark next year, increasing steadily thereafter."

TWELVE BODIES RECOVERED
"Altogether 12 bodies have now been recovered from the debris of the landslide that occurred at Taipo Market, New Territories, during last week-end."

Another body, Lam Kai-ki, aged 13, was recovered yesterday."

During yesterday another body was dug out in the landslide near the Taipo Tunnel, bringing the total number of bodies recovered to ten."

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EMMANUEL MISSION
CHURCH

Sunday—10 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 Morning Service, Preacher:
Rev. John Bechtel. 3 p.m. Sunday
School. 3 Young Men's Bible Class.
Leader: Mr. Anli Nance. 7.30 p.m.
Song Service. 8 Evening Service.
Preacher: Rev. G. A. Hook. Mon-
day—7.30 p.m. S.A.C.A. Meeting.
Tuesday—2.30 p.m. Meeting for
Chinese amans. 7.30 Young People's
Club. Wednesday—7.30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting. Bible Study Cl-
cles as usual on Monday and
Friday evenings.

At the Country Hospital, Shang-
hai, on Aug. 3, a son was born to
Mrs. Evans, wife of Mr. T. J.
Evans, of Shanghai.

CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY: WAR WORK IN ENGLAND

THE FEAST OF ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which occurs next Thursday, is a Holiday of Obligation—that is, a day on which Catholics are obliged to hear Mass—and one of the most important feasts of this time of the year. It has a special importance in many parts of China because four days are chosen in the year, one in each quarter, for special celebration in each district, and on account of the convenience of the time at which this feast occurs it is chosen as one of the four in many places.

The feast itself commemorates first, the death of Mary and second, a tradition that goes back to the time of the Apostles, that the body of Mary after her death was taken to heaven. The date of the feast is of uncertain origin, for there is no definite tradition of the day—any more than of the date or the place—of Mary's death.

The day was probably first chosen to commemorate the dedication of some church in honour of the Assumption and later this day was accepted more widely to honour the Assumption itself.

It may be remarked here that when a church is said to be "dedicated to the Assumption," this is only a short method of saying that in its dedication to God special intercession is made through Mary who is honoured in her Assumption.

The same is to be understood when a church is said to be dedicated to St. Peter or St. Michael or any other saint. Every church is dedicated to God, the name of Mary of any Saint is used only in connection with protection and intercession.

C. W. L. HUTS

Out of the most popular war works done by Catholics in England is the maintenance of the "C.W.L. Huts," the huts run by the Catholic Women's League. These were begun during the last war and have been started on a much bigger scale during the present war.

All the war huts owe their origin to the Regimental Institutes that took the place of shops when a regiment was away from a city, and devoted all the profits to the welfare of the men.

In the South African war the Army Service Corps set up Expeditionary Force Canteens on the same lines, and the system was so much developed during the last war that the Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes, known as N.A.A.F.I. across a non-profit-making organisation that has risen to great efficiency.

The denominational huts supplement the N.A.A.F.I. canteens, for they cater for men who have a special bond between them and they provide an atmosphere of friendliness that could not be expected in the business-like atmosphere of one managed by paid personnel.

The C.W.L. huts are open to all but naturally they are used mostly by Catholics, or by those who are friendly with Catholics, and they are greatly appreciated.

The War Office not only approved of these huts which the C. W. L. set up in England and France but asked that their number should be increased as quickly as possible. They are built by voluntary subscriptions collected by the Catholic Women's League and staffed by voluntary workers.

Sixty were built in the early months of the war.

A HUT CONVERT

One of those who has been most active in appealing for funds to provide additional C.W.L. huts is Mr. W. R. Titterton, the well-known Catholic journalist, author among other things of the first book on Chesterton, "G. K. CHESTERTON—A PORTRAIT."

The reason for his interest is that he traces his own entry into the Church to the atmosphere in the huts in the last war. He tells that, one evening he was in one of these huts when the chaplain came over to him and asked him to join him in a cup of tea. (Everything in the huts is paid for, but at cost price only.) He agreed and the chaplain remarked that he had seen him at Mass.

Then Titterton told him that he was not a Catholic, and that he was at Mass only because he had put himself down as R.C. and was therefore paraded for Mass. He said that, he put himself down R.C. merely because he "liked other denominations less." He relates that, he never forgot the padre's answer: "Good for you, that's one of the best testimonials to my Church I've ever had. I hope you haven't been too badly bored. If you don't know what it's all about you might be."

This was the beginning. He says that when he saw the chaplain the first feeling he had was a determination not to be drawn

into discussing religion, but before long he found himself asking questions—and the rest followed.

DON AMECHE

The film star Don Ameche is one of the Catholic actors of Hollywood. He was first known as a popular radio performer and because he had once had a part in a much criticized radio play, doubts were cast on his religious sincerity. He has dispelled all these doubts by refusing to act in a film that was morally objectionable, though it put him in danger of having to sacrifice a contract of U. S. \$170,000.

It is considered fatal in Hollywood to break a contract because studio magnates combine against any one who does, and it frequently ruins his career, but Don Ameche was ready to take the risk.

He was educated at a Catholic College, Dubuque, Iowa where he was a Mass server, as well as a brilliant student. He was conspicuous in college dramatics, excelling in character parts.

A priest, one of his former teachers, visited him not long ago in his California home and was able to testify to the fact that success had not spoiled him. In fact the priest related that before he left all the household including the servants, assembled to receive his blessing.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
SCIENTIST, HONGKONG
31 MACDONNELL ROAD

Service on Sunday.
The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow will be "Spirit."

The Golden Text will be: "Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God; thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness." (Psalms 143: 10.)

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me. I form the light and create darkness: I make peace and create evil: I the Lord do all these things." (Isaiah 45: 6, 7.)

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "In Isaiah we read: (I make peace and create evil. I the Lord do all these things.) but the prophet referred to divine law as stirring up the belief in evil to its utmost, when bringing it to the surface and reducing it to its common denominator, nothingness. The muddy river-bed must be stirred in order to purify the stream. We ought to know that God's law uncovers so-called sin and its effect, only that truth may annihilate all sense of evil and all power to sin." (Page 540.)

ANNOUNCEMENT

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong, (a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.) No. 31 Macdonnell Road, close to Peak Tram Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday 8 p.m. A Reading Room is maintained in the Church Building and is open on Monday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 to 7 p.m. All authorised Christian literature is available at the Reading Room.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S
CHURCH

12th Sunday after Trinity. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 p.m. Short Evening Service, Preacher: Rev. Cyril Brown. Notices: Launch Picnics for Seafarers on Saturday and Sunday at 2.30 p.m. (weather permitting). N.B.—The Church is open to the general public.

Marriage

By Special
Licence

BOK—WONG

One marriage by special licence was officiated at the Supreme Court yesterday by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages.

The couple was Mr. Edwin Chung-bok, merchant, residing at the Hongkong Hotel, and Miss Marie Wong, secretary, residing at No. 63, Pilken Street.

The wedding also took place between Mr. Lam Yick-long, teacher, residing at No. 28, Nullah Road, and Miss Poon Wai-yung, teacher. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced:—

Mr. Chang Chai-hien, a Civil Servant of the Chinese National Government, and Miss Tai Mei-yung, residing at No. 3, Lincoln Road.

Mr. Frederick Charles Oppen, Marine Officer of the Chinese Maritime Customs, and Miss H. J. Phenister, confidential secretary, who is en route to Hongkong.

ENGLISH METHODIST
CHURCH

Queen's Road East, Opposite the NAVAL HOSPITAL
Service on Sunday August 11, 1940.

Preacher: Morning and Evening—Rev. J. E. Sandbach.
Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m.—Hymn No. 36, Prayer, Hymn No. 256, First Lesson, Hymn No. 488, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn No. 915, Sermon, Hymn No. 272, Benediction.

Evening Service at 7 p.m.—Hymn No. 42, Prayer, Hymn No. 63, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn No. 528, Sermon, Hymn No. 567, Benediction.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK
Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

A meeting for Prayer and Fellowship will be held at the S. & S. Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S

(Church of England, Kowloon)
Holy Communion. Fellowship Breakfast.

Sunday, Aug. 11—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion 8 a.m. The monthly Holy Communion Fellowship Breakfast will be held after this service. Matins and address at 11 a.m. Preacher: The Rev. D. Rosenthal, Vicar of Christ Church, Evensons and address at 7 p.m. Preacher: The Vicar. The Sunday Evening Club will be held after Evensons.

WEEK DAY NOTICES
Monday, Aug. 12—Medical War Working Party for China 10 a.m. Fellowship of Youth 6 p.m. St. Andrew's Club Committee meeting at 8.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Club 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 13—The Women's Guild at 10 a.m. Intercession Service in connection with the war 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 14—St. Andrew's Rover Scout Troop meets at 11 Cumberland Road at 8.45 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 15—Medical War Working Party for China 10 a.m. St. Andrew's Club at 9 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 16—Choir Practice 6.30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 17—St. Andrew's Club launch bathing will leave the Police Pier at 3 p.m. weather permitting. All members and friends of the Club and the church are invited to attend.

The Club rooms of the newly formed St. Andrew's Fellowship will be open daily throughout the week from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Causeway Road: 12th Sunday after Pentecost. Morning services: 1st Mass at 8 a.m. with sermon in Chinese. 2nd Mass at 8.30 a.m. with sermon in English. Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction.

Aug. 15—The Assumption of our Lady—Holy day of obligation. Holy Masses as on Sundays. At 7 a.m. Low Pontifical Mass and Ordination of four Chinese Deacons to the Priesthood. On week days Mass at 8 a.m. and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

SEVEN SISTERS.

FESTIVAL

CHINESE MAIDENS
CELEBRATE

The "Seven Sisters" Festival, which falls on the seventh day of the seventh moon of the lunar calendar, was celebrated enthusiastically yesterday by Chinese maidens in traditional style.

Last night the fruit stalls at the different markets of the Colony and Chinese haberdashery and paper shops did a roaring business. Along Wellington Street, Hollywood Road, Lyndhurst Terrace, Hennessy Road, Johnston Road and other streets on the mainland, there were crowds of Chinese women and girls making purchases, while their menfolk wandered about sightseeing.

It is believed by the Chinese women and maidens that at midnight on the day of the festival, the "Seven Sisters" will shower blessings upon them, and that is why they assemble together and keep watch throughout the whole night.

ORIGIN OF FESTIVAL

According to Chinese legends it is recorded that long ago, the King of Heavens, who lived with his seven daughters, noticed a poor cowherd. The youth was most industrious and filial and as a reward the King decided to give him one of his seven daughters in marriage.

The legend goes on to say that when the cowherd and the daughter of the King of Heavens were wedded, the couple grew to be very lazy. The lad gradually neglected his work because of his infatuation for his wife, while his spouse neglected her weaving.

COUPLE SEPARATED

Their behaviour aroused the displeasure of the good old King who finally separated the couple. They were allowed to see each other only once a year on the seventh day of the seventh moon.

Afterwards, the romantic story says, they were changed from their human form into two brilliant stars, and were separated from each other by the Milky River or "Milky Way."

On the day of days, however, they had permission to cross the river and meet each other, and it is then that the maidens of China offers up prayers and sacrifice in the hope that they will be given good and industrious husbands.

ST. JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL

12th Sunday After Trinity
8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: The Bishop. 7 p.m. Evensons and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. C. Higgins.

Week-days:—Holy Communion is celebrated on—Thursday at 7.30 a.m. Friday at 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese). Wednesday, Prayer for the Sick, at 10.15 a.m.

Other Notices: Monday, Aug. 12, 8 p.m. Badminston, Cathedral Hall. Thursday, Aug. 15, 3.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m. Choir Practice, Cathedral.

PEAK CHURCH

12th Sunday After Trinity
8 a.m. Holy Communion.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

13th Sunday after Pentecost.
First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. Second Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Aug. 14 Vigil of the Assumption—Abstinence. Aug. 15 The Assumption of Our Lady (Holy-day of Obligation). Holy Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. On week days, Holy Mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day before and after Mass. On Saturdays the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 to 8 p.m.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

August 11—13th Sunday after Pentecost: 8.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese. 8 a.m. High Mass, followed by Benediction. 10 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English.

On week-days: Holy Mass at 6.30 and 7.15 a.m.
August 15, Thursday—The Assumption of Our Lady (Holy-day of Obligation): Holy Mass at 6.30 and 10 a.m. General Communion of Children of Mary at 6.30 Mass. August 18, Friday—at 8.15 p.m. Service of Intercession with the Way of the Cross.



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"CHINA TODAY"

In November the "China Today" pictorial magazine will produce a special issue in commemoration of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's birthday and the National Assembly. This magazine is the only one of its kind dealing with the war and nation with its four-language presentation.

In this special issue the number of pages will be doubled. Advertisements will appear in all the daily papers to call for pictures of historic interest in connexion with Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and it is understood that there will be substantial payments for pictures published. Further details will be included in the advertisements. Those who wish to submit old photos now can write to Box 1558, Hongkong.

CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, Aug. 11—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.
7.15 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Kowloon. Hymns at Matins: 473, 397, 375, 426.

Services in Mandarin: 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion: 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon. Preacher: Mr. T. K. Chiu of Ying Wah College. Worshippers at Christ Church are reminded of the alteration in the times of service. The Choral Service which used to be held at 10.00 is now held at 9.45 a.m., and the Sunday Schools which usually meet at 8.00 a.m. are discontinued for the time being. There is no evening service at Christ Church, and Christ Church people who wish to attend an evening service are reminded of the evening at St. Andrew's at 7.00 p.m. and at the Cathedral at 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday Aug. 13—Meeting of the Christ Church Parochial Council in the Vicarage at 6.00 p.m.
Thursday Aug. 15—7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., August 9.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.26 ins.
Temperature, 83 F.
Humidity, 80 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature, maximum yesterday, 85 F.
Temperature Minimum last night, 77 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.01 ins.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 88.59 ins.

Against an average of, 57.43 ins.
Sunset tonight, 7.00 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 5.58 a.m.

4 p.m., Aug. 9.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.31 ins.
Temperature, 85 F.
Humidity, 74 per cent.
Wind Force, E/S.
Wind Direction (Beaufort), 4.
Maximum temperature, 85 F.
Minimum temperature, 78 F.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 1 to 16 Aug. 1940.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Sat.	10	h.m.	f.m.	h.m.	f.m.
		01.59	6.8	08.10	2.6
Sun.	11	14.44	6.0	18.44	2.6
		02.56	6.0	06.54	2.6
Mon.	12	16.12	4.4	20.47	3.3
		04.04	6.1	11.28	2.8
		17.55	4.3	21.48	2.6
Tues.	13	05.08	6.4	13.42	2.0
		19.29	4.3	23.01	2.6
Wed.	14	06.11	6.0		
		20.39	4.4	13.29	1.6
Thurs.	15	07.10	6.9	06.14	2.7
		21.09	4.6	14.15	1.4
Fri.	16	08.01	7.1	01.02	2.5
		22.40	4.7	14.50	1.3

HEALTH RETURNS

The following is the return of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended at midnight on Aug. 9: Enteric Fever, five cases (one imported); Cerebro-spinal Fever, one case; Dysentery, three cases; Typherculosis, 15 cases.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

AUGUST 9, 1940.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 1/2	
On Shanghai:	On demand 383
On Singapore:	On demand 52 3/4
On India:	On demand 93
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2	
and demand 82 1/2	
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 21 7/8
Credits 60 days sight 23 1/4	
On Batavia:	On demand 41
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand 1085
Credits 4 months sight 1160	
On Saigon:	On demand 90 1/4
On Manila:	On demand 43 3/4
On Bangkok:	On demand 149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate 1/5
Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/2	

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Aug. 9 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

London	Opening 0/3-5/8
New York	5-7/16
Japan	23-1/8
Paris	20N
Hongkong	24

Sterling

Spot	0/3-3/4	0/3-3/4
Aug.	0/3-3/4	0/3-3/4
Sept.	0/3-47/64	0/3-47/64
U.S. Dollars		
Spot	\$5-9/16	\$5-17/32
Aug.	\$5-17/32	\$5-17/32
Sept.	\$5-1/2	\$5-15/32
Market	—Quiet.	

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 90-94-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 83-1/4.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Aug. 8 (Reuter).
Silver: Cash was supported by bears covering, while speculators sold forward. Business small. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady.

Spot, 23-1/2d.

Forward, 22-13/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

Market—Quiet but steady. Off-take 200 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready	63-05
Aug. 25 Settlement	63-04
Sept. 25 Settlement	63-04

LONDON GOLD

London, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 138/-

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER		Previous	August 8	Change
Close	Buyers	Close	Buyers	
S P O T	37 cts.	36-3/4	36-3/4	off 1/4
OCT./DEC.	35-1/2	35-1/4	35-3/8	off 1/8
JAN./MAR.	33-1/4	33 cts.	33-1/8	off 1/8

The market was quiet but steady.

LONDON RUBBER		Previous close	Today's close	Change
buyers	buyers			
S P O T	13-1/8	13		off 1/8
SEPTEMBER	13	12-15/16		off 1/16
OCT.-DEC.	12-3/4	12-11/16		off 1/16
JAN./MARCH	12-1/4	12-3/16		off 1/16
APRIL-JUNE	11-15/16	11-15/16		unch.

The market was quiet.
NEW YORK COTTON: The Government estimates the cotton crop at 11,400,000 bales as compared with last year's production of about 11,845,000 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The market was dull and uneventful with all interests awaiting developments.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The market reflects reports of favourable weather conditions.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 125.12; Today's close, 125.13; Change, up .01.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

New York Cotton, Oct.		High	Low	Close	Change
1940	1940	9.48	9.35	9.32	0.09 up
New York Rubber, Sept.	1940	19.40	19.40	19.45	19.37b .08 off
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	1940	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn, Sept.	1940	61 1/2	60 1/2	61 1/2	1 off
New York Hides, Sept.	1940	8.90	8.88	8.88b	8.89b .01 up

NEW YORK COTTON		Opening	Closing	Change
Oct. (New contract)	9.32/32	9.40/40	9.41/41	.09 up
December	9.21/21	9.29/30	9.31/32	.10 up
January	9.10 N	9.20a	9.20n	.10 up
March	9.02/02	9.09/09	9.11/11	.09 up
May	8.82/82	8.90/90	8.91/91	.09 up
July	8.59/59	unquoted	8.71/71	.12 up
Spot	10.02 N	unquoted	10.08n	.06 up

Total sales Wednesday—49,800 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER		September	October	November	December
1940	1940	19.45/50	19.40/40	19.37b/39a	.08 off
1940	1940	19.05/07	18.98/98	18.99/100	.08 off
1940	1940	18.99 N	unquoted	18.91n	.08 off
1940	1940	18.86 N	unquoted	18.79n	.07 off
1940	1940	18.71 N	unquoted	18.64n	.07 off
1940	1940	unquoted	unquoted	unquoted	

Total sales—320 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT		September	October	November	December
1940	1940	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	1 off
1940	1940	75 1/2	75 1/2	74 1/2	1 off

Wednesday's sales—9,662,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN		September	October	November	December
1940	1940	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	1 off
1940	1940	57 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

NEW YORK HIDES		September	October	November	December
1940	1940	8.88b/92a	8.80b/90a	8.89b/94a	.01 up
1940	1940	9.05/08	8.96b/9.13a	9.07b/10a	.02 up

Total sales for the day—75 contracts.

New York Official 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 3.93-3/4

3.90-1/2

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price, £265-7/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle

Price, £266.

BROKERS' LOANS

New York, Aug. 8 (Reuter).

Loan on securities to brokers in

New York:

Week-ended

3/8/39

1/8/40

8/8/40

\$501,000,000 \$502,000,000 \$275,000,000

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

AUGUST 9, 1940.

STOCKS		Last Sale	STOCKS		Last Sale
Aug. 8			Aug. 8		
Adams Express	51		Lockheed Aircraft	25 1/2	
Allegheny Steel Co.	21		Loew's Inc.	24 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	31 1/2		Loft Incorporated	21 1/2	
Aluminum Ltd.	68 1/2		Mack Truck Inc.	21 1/2	
Amer. Can.	95 1/2		Martin, Glen L.	30 1/2	
American Cyanamid B.	32 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pld.	21 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign Power	13		Montgomery Ward	40 1/2	
Amer. Locomotive	13 1/2		M'tain City Copper Co.	2 1/2	
Amer. Metals Co.	15 1/2		National Aviation	98 1/2	
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2		Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill	10 1/2		National Distillers	20 1/2	
Amer. Sugar Refining	13 1/2		National Lead	18 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	18 1/2		Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	70 1/2		National Supply Corp.	5 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks	8 1/2		New York Central	11 1/2	
Anacosta Copper	19 1/2		Niagara Hudson Power	4 1/2	
Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe.	15 1/2		N. American Aviation	15 1/2	
Aviation Corp.	4 1/2		North American Co.	19 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive	14 1/2		Northern Pacific	6 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	54 1/2	
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2		Pacific Gas & Elec.	29 1/2	
Barnsdall Oil	8 1/2		Packard Motors	3 1/2	
Bendix Aviation	29 1/2		Pan-American Airways	13 1/2	
Bethlehem Steel	77 1/2		Paramount Pictures	19 1/2	
Bills & Co.	13 1/2		Pennsylvania R.R.	5 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.	14 1/2		Philadelphia Read. Coal	1 1/2	
Borg-Warner	10 1/2		Phillips Petroleum	33 1/2	
Briggs Mfg.	18 1/2		Public Service of N.J.	35 1/2	
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	3 1/2		Pullman Inc.	19 1/2	
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	3		Pure Oil	7 1/2	
Case, J.I.	52		Radio Corp. of Am.	44 1/2	
Celanese	29 1/2		Reading Company, Com	12 1/2	
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 1/2		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2	
Chrysler Corp.	7 1/2		Republic Steel	17 1/2	
Columbia Gas & Elec.	5 1/2		Revere Corp.	8 1/2	
Commercial Credit Co.	30 1/2		Reynold Tobac. "B"	34 1/2	
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2		Safeway Stores	42 1/2	
Consolidated Edison	28 1/2		Schenley Distillers	10 1/2	
Consolidated Oil	6		Sears Roebuck	76	
Continental Can.	39 1/2		Shell Union Oil	8 1/2	
Continental Oil	18 1/2		Secony-Vacuum Oil	8 1/2	
Copperweld Steel	17 1/2		Southern Pacific	8	
Curtiss Wright (C.)	7		Southern Ry. 45 pld.	18	
Curtiss Wright "A"	23 1/2		Spieler Manufacturing Co.	27	
Deere & Co.	15 1/2		Standard Brands	6 1/2	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 1/2		Standard Gas & Elec.	11 1/2	
Douglas Aircraft	70 1/2		Standard Oil of California	18 1/2	
Du Pont de Nemours	162 1/2		Standard Oil of N.J.	33 1/2	
Eagle Picher Lead	7 1/2		Stone & Webster	7 1/2	
Eaton Mfg. Co.	31 1/2		Studebaker Corp.	7 1/2	
Elec. Autolite	34 1/2		Swift International	17 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share	5 1/2		Technicolor	9 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	62 1/2		Texas Corp.	31 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pfd.	71		Texas Gulf Sulphur	31 1/2	
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pfd.	32 1/2		Timken-Axle	23	
Flintkote	13 1/2		Trans-America Co.	4 1/2	
Gen. American Trans.	47 1/2		20th Cent. Fox	5 1/2	
Gen. Electric	33 1/2		Union Bag & Paper Corp.	12	
Gen. Motors	46		Union Carbide & Carbon	88 1/2	
Gen. Railway Signal	11 1/2		Union Pacific	85	
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11		United Aircraft	36	
Glidden Co.	12 1/2		United Airlines Trans.	18 1/2	
Goodrich (B.F.)	11 1/2		United Corp.	17	
Goodrich \$5 pfd.	50 1/2		United Corp. \$3 cum pfd.	35 1/2	
Goodyear Tire & Co.	15 1/2		United Gas Corp.	1 1/2	
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2		United Gas Improvement	11 1/2	
Great Northern Ry. pld.	22 1/2		U.S. Industrial Alcohol	17 1/2	
Great Western Sugar	20 1/2		U.S. Rubber	18 1/2	
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2		U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	83	
Hercules Powder Co.	81		U.S. Steel	52 1/2	
International Harvester	40		Vanadium	29 1/2	
Int. Nickel	23 1/2		Vulcan Aircraft	7 1/2	
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2		Walworth Co.	4	
Int. Tel. & Tel.	21 1/2		Warner Bros. Pict.	2	
Kennecott Copper	28		Westinghouse Elec.	99 1/2	
Lake Foundry & Mac.	31 1/2		Woodward Iron Cor.	25 1/2	
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	39 1/2		Chase National Bank	29 1/2	
			National City Bank	23 1/2	

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939/40		Aug. 9, 1940.		Aug. 8, 1940.	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
155.93	111.84	156.13	125.84	154.87	125.13
25.90	21.15	26.71	26.78	26.83	26.70
27.70	18.03	28.58	22.59	22.44	22.47
22.23	23.06	22.09	22.09	22.09	22.09
65.87	45.88	65.87	45.88	65.87	45.88

Business Done—110,000 shares

WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON, August 8 (Reuter).		August 1	August 8
Public Deposits		22,680	19,240
Other Deposits:			
Bankers	108,280	114,090	
Other Accounts	52,270	48,570	
Total	158,530	162,660	
Government Securities		152,890	157,930
Other Securities:			
Discounts and Advances	3,270	3,130	
Securities	21,500	22,020	
Total	24,770	25,150	
Notes and Coins	21,570	17,430	
Total Bullion	2,110	1,190	
Notes in Circulation	89,540	613,070	
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	11.90%	9.58%	
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	168/-	168/-	

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

NEW YORK, August 8 (Reuter).	Aug 3 (1939)	Aug. 1 (000's)	Aug. 8 (omitted)
	\$	\$	\$
Bills Bought	1,000		
U.S. Securities held	2,433,000	2,448,000	2,448,000
Federal Reserve Ratio	88.49%	88.29%	88.20%
Federal Reserve Credit Outstanding	2,476,000	2,484,000	
Monetary Base	1,748,000	2,071,000	20,638,000
ADDITIONAL	11,748,000	8,824,000	5,602,000

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* OKITU MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Aug.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore
* NAGATO MARU ... Sunday, 11th Aug.

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The Port will be closed to all inward and outward shipping from sunset to sunrise on Aug. 28.

The following lights in the Hong-kong area will be extinguished on the black-out night:-

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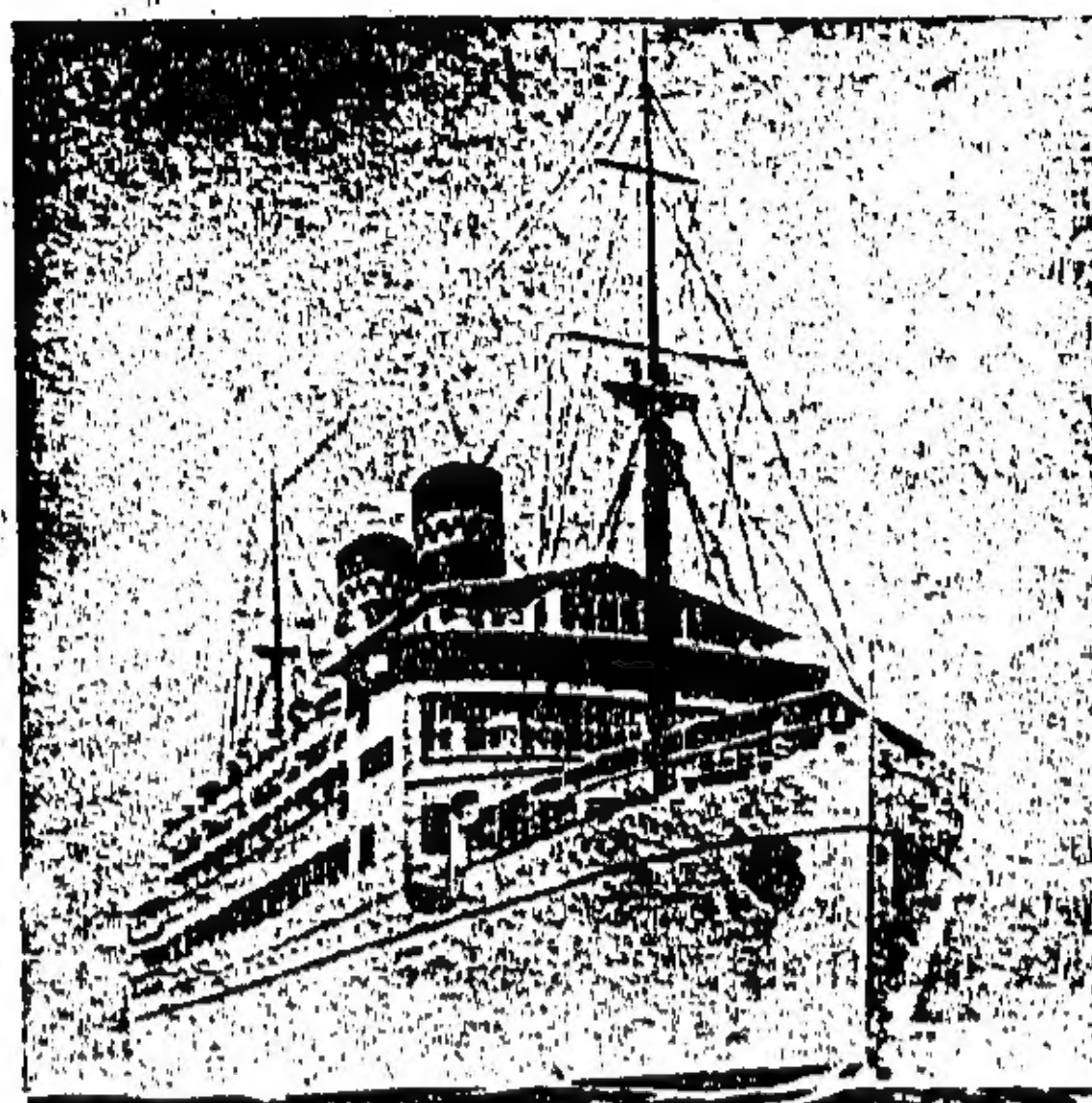
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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 7th Aug., 1940, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

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Hong Kong, 3rd August, 1940. [437]

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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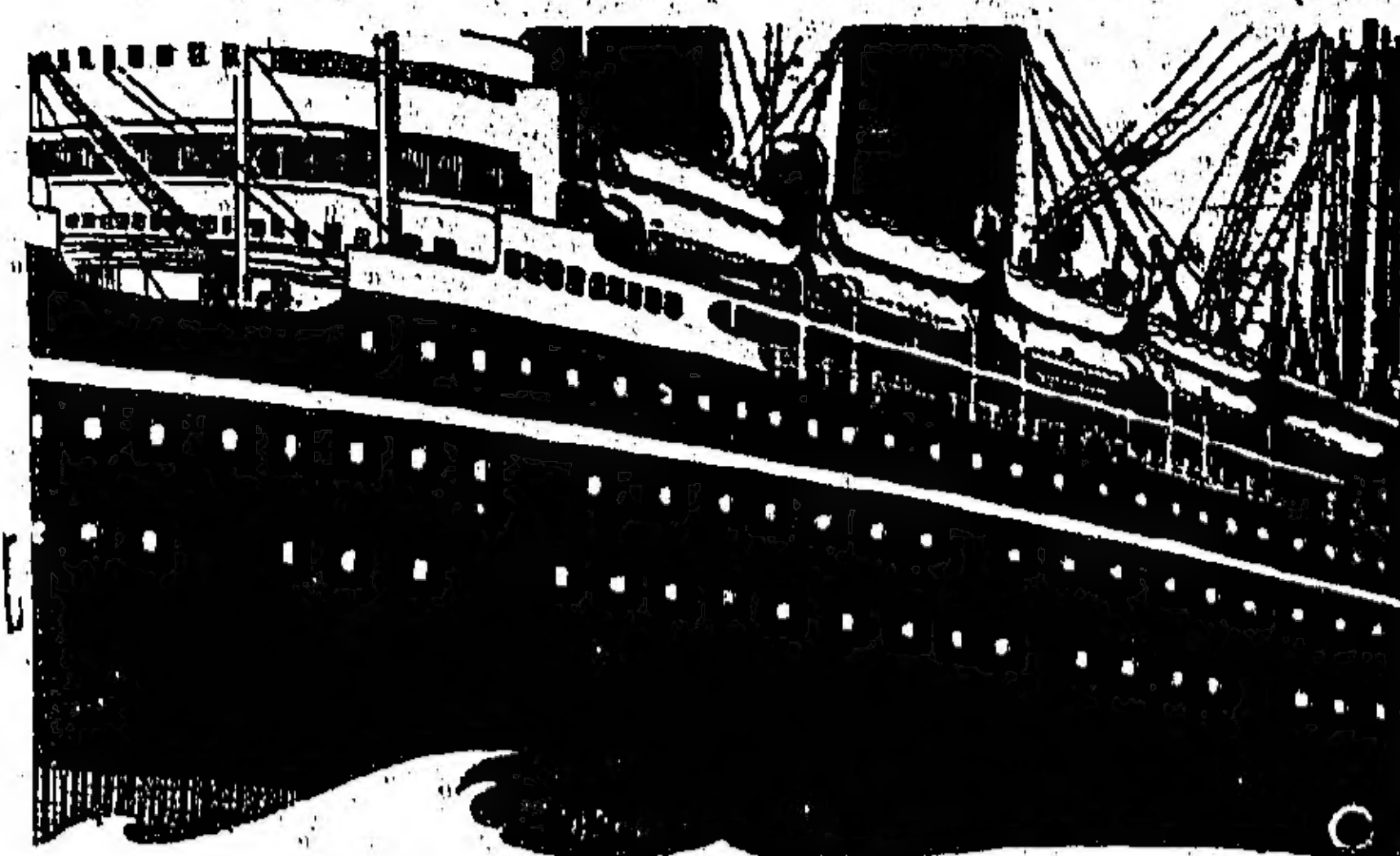
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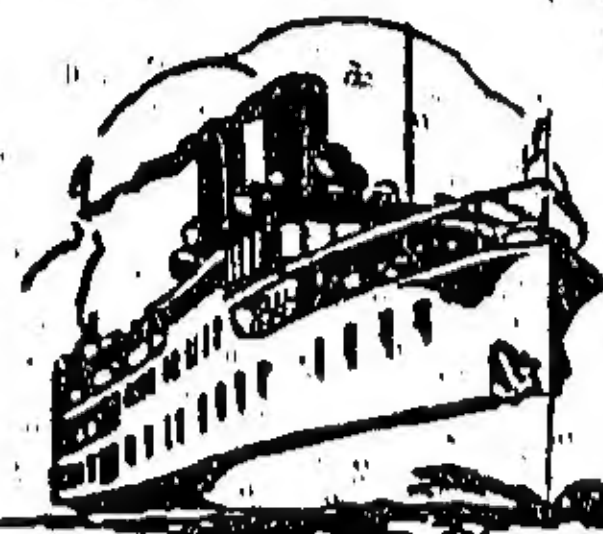
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War Advisory Council To Be Formed In India

Invitation Extended For Indian Representatives

SIMLA, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A statement of far-reaching constitutional importance was made by the Viceroy of India yesterday.

"Last October," said Lord Linlithgow, "His Majesty's Government again made clear that Dominion Status was their objective for India. They added that they were ready to authorise expansion of the Governor-General's Council to include a certain number of representatives of the political parties, and they proposed the establishment of a consultative committee."

"In order to facilitate harmonious co-operation it was obvious that some measure of agreement in the provinces between the major parties was a desirable prerequisite to their joint collaboration at the centre. Such an agreement unfortunately was not reached and in the circumstances no progress was then possible."

After references to his endeavours to bring the political parties together, the Viceroy proceeded:

"It is clear that the earlier differences which prevented the achievement of national unity remain unbridged. Deeply as His Majesty's Government regret this, they do not feel that they should any longer, because of those differences, postpone the expansion of the Governor-General's Council and the establishment of a body which will more closely associate Indian public opinion with the conduct of the war by the Central Government."

GOVERNMENT GESTURE

"They have authorised me accordingly to invite a certain number of representative Indians to join my Executive Council. They have authorised me further to establish a War Advisory Council, which would meet at regular intervals and which would contain representatives of Indian States and other interests in the national life of India as a whole."

Declaring that full weight would be given to the views of minorities in any revision of the constitutional machine, the Viceroy continued:

WELFARE OF INDIA

"It goes without saying that His Majesty's Government could not contemplate the transfer of their present responsibilities for the

peace and welfare of India to any system of government whose authority is directly denied by large and powerful elements in India's national life.

"Nor could they be parties to coercion of such elements into submission to such government."

"There has been strong insistence that the framing of a constitutional machine should be primarily the responsibility of Indians themselves. His Majesty's Government are in sympathy with that desire and wish to see it given the fullest practical expression subject to the fulfilment of the obligations which Britain's long connection with India has imposed upon her."

NEW CONSTITUTION

"It is clear that the moment, when the Commonwealth is engaged upon a struggle for existence, is not one in which fundamental constitutional issues can be decisively resolved, but His Majesty's Government have authorised me to declare that they will most readily consent to setting up, after the conclusion of war with the least possible delay, a body representative of the principal elements in India's national life in order to devise the framework of the new constitution, and they will lend every aid in their power to hasten decisions on all relevant matters to the utmost degree."

"Meanwhile, they will welcome and promote in any way possible every sincere and practical step that may be taken by the Indians themselves to reach a basis of friendly agreement; first upon the form which the post-war representative body should arrive at conclusions, and secondly, upon the principles and outlines of the constitution itself."

COMMONS APPROVAL

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The feature of the business in the House of Commons this afternoon was the reading by Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India and Burma, of the Viceroy's statement. The statement was well received among all parties.

Marriage Is Still Union For Life

JUDGMENT GIVEN IN SHAI DIVORCE CASE

Despite modern legal changes and social developments of recent years, marriage under the English common law is still in its essence, a voluntary union for life of a man and woman to the exclusion of all others, according to a judgment delivered by Assistant Judge P. Grant Jones in H. M. Supreme Court recently, reports the North China Daily News.

DECREE NISI

His Lordship pronounced a decree nisi of the dissolution of the marriage of Mrs. Galina Pearce, represented by Mr. C. E. Sherwin, to Mr. Melville Pearce, with costs against respondent.

It has been said that during the war of 1914-1918 a social revolution occurred in the public mind as to the relations between the sexes and the undesirability of maintaining the marriage tie where there was no possibility of married couple living together again. The judgment stated: It went on to state that Lord Merivale judicially recognized the altered state of things in Wilson versus Wilson, (1920), page 20.

COURT'S DISCRETION

On the question of the discretion to be exercised by the court the judgment went on to state that when a gulfy petitioner was the husband and the court was convinced of his good faith, the following facts may be taken into consideration: 1, the position and interests of his children; 2, the interest of the woman with whom he has misconducted himself; (3) the fact that the withholding of a decree would not be likely to reconcile husband and wife and (4) the interest of the husband himself, that he may remarry and lead a respectable life. On these grounds His Lordship stated, the decree nisi was not rescinded.

BRITISH SHIP OVERDUE

Last night's news bulletin broadcast from Davenport stated that a message from Rangoon reported that the British vessel Kemmendine was now twenty-one days overdue and must, therefore, be considered to have been lost.

The Kemmendine is a vessel of 7,837 tons and is owned by the British Burmese Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. She was built in Glasgow by W. Denny Brothers Ltd., in 1924.

POSITION AT DJIBOUTI

ADEN, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—It is generally realised here that the Italian attack on British Somaliland was mainly due to the situation which arose after the Italians had nothing more to fear from the French in French Somaliland.

The position at Djibouti is being fully appreciated and the developments in Somaliland have, in consequence, been received calmly.

BOMBER DAMAGED

CAIRO, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Two small formations of enemy aircraft raided British Somaliland. It is reported that one bomber was damaged by the ground defences. There were no British casualties.

BARRACKS HIT

Our bombers attacked Hargeisa on August 7 and scored hits on barracks and bungalows believed to contain troops.

Bombers of the South African Air Force raided the frontier town of Elwak.

Loss Of Submarine Oswald

LONDON, August 9 (Reuter).—An Admiralty communiqué states that the H.M. submarine Oswald (Lieutenant Commander Fraser), operating in Mediterranean waters, is overdue and must be considered lost.

An Italian communiqué has stated that 52 officers and men of the Oswald, including the Commanding Officer, are prisoners and unhurt.

The total complement was five officers and 50 ratings.

FRENCH ENVOY LEAVING

SHANGHAI, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The French Ambassador and Madame Henri Cosme are scheduled to leave Shanghai for North China tomorrow morning aboard the Shenking, says the Sinwapan. They will return to Shanghai sometime in September for a summer vacation.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange was drifting during most of the session owing to lack of support but there was evidence of a firmer tone in some groups before the close.

Foreign Bonds were quiet and mostly unchanged. Wall Street was steady.

EMPIRE PARLEY

CANBERRA, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. R. G. Menzies, Australian Prime Minister, announced that Australia is attending the conference of British Empire countries in the East which will be held in New Delhi in October.

Representatives from Ceylon, Burma, Australia, New Zealand and Singapore have been invited to attend.

LOSS OF \$3,000

Lau Pei-hing, 38, a widow residing at No. 24, Gilman's Bazaar, second floor, has reported to the police, the loss of a handbag, containing more than \$3,000, apparently stolen from her home while she was out shopping yesterday.

A public meeting of the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives will be held at Helena May Institute on Tuesday, August 13, at 9 p.m., when Mr. Rew Alley, veteran social engineer, will speak on his experiences. Mr. Alley has travelled in every part of China and his talk will be illustrated with Mr. David Griffin's moving picture. No admission fee will be charged.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, 10th AUGUST, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

AIR MAIL SERVICE

The air mail postage to U.S.A. and Canada by Pan-American Airways has been increased to \$3.50 per ounce with effect as from 2nd August. The air mail rates to other American countries, etc. via Pan-American Airways have also been increased and a schedule of rates is exhibited in the General Post Office.

The following air mail services are at present available to the United Kingdom:—

Route	Rate	Superscription required.
By Imperial Airways to Durban and onwards by sea.	\$1.15 per ½ oz.	Via Imperial to Durban.
By Pan-American Airways to U. S. A. and onwards by Trans-Atlantic Air Service.	\$5.00 per ½ oz.	Via P. A. A. & Trans-Atlantic U. S. A.
By Pan-American Airways to U. S. A. and onwards by sea.	\$3.50 per ½ oz. plus 15 cents per oz.	Via P. A. A. to U. S. A.

All air mail correspondence must bear the blue air Mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Date
Saloon	10th Aug.
Java and Manila	10th Aug.
Straits	10th Aug.
U. S. A., Japan and Shanghai (Seattle date, 8th July)	10th Aug.
Straits	10th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	10th Aug.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	10th Aug.
Shanghai	10th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	11th Aug.
Straits	11th Aug.
London and Straits	11th Aug.
Sandakan	11th Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	11th Aug.
Shanghai	12th Aug.
Haliphong	12th Aug.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	12th Aug.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th August	12th Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	13th Aug.
Shanghai	13th Aug.
Haliphong	13th Aug.
U. S. A. and Manila—(San Francisco date 20th July)	13th Aug.
London and Straits	14th Aug.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	14th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	15th Aug.
Shanghai	16th Aug.
Shanghai	17th Aug.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20th July)	17th Aug.
Calcutta and Straits	18th Aug.
Japan and Formosa	18th Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	18th Aug.
Japan	20th Aug.
Java and Manila	20th Aug.
Shanghai	20th Aug.
Sandakan	21st Aug.
Australia and Manila	21st Aug.
London and Straits	21st Aug.
Japan and Manila	22nd Aug.
Calcutta, Straits and Saloon	24th Aug.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan and Manila—(San Francisco date, 10th August)	24th Aug.
U. S. A. and Manila—(San Francisco date, 2nd August)	25th Aug.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—(San Francisco date 15th July)	25th Aug.

OUTWARD MAILS

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For	Date and Time
SATURDAY	Sat, 10th
Bangkok	8.30 AM
Shanghai and Parcel only for Tientsin	9.00 AM
Japan	9.30 AM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Parcels 1.00 PM
	Reg. 2.45 PM
	Ord. 3.30 PM
Saloon, Madang, Salamaua, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Sydney	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Parcel only for Straits, Ceylon, India, & United Kingdom	Parcels 4.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to India, China, Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Lisbon and United Kingdom	Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai	Ord. 5.30 PM
	5.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun, 11th
Fort Bayard	9.00 AM
MONDAY	Mon, 12th
Amoy	8.30 AM
Shanghai	10.30 AM
Haliphong	Noon
Shanghai	12.30 PM
Fort Bayard	12.30 PM
Bangkok	2.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue, 13th
Batavia and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Saloon	4.30 PM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
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	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM

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